

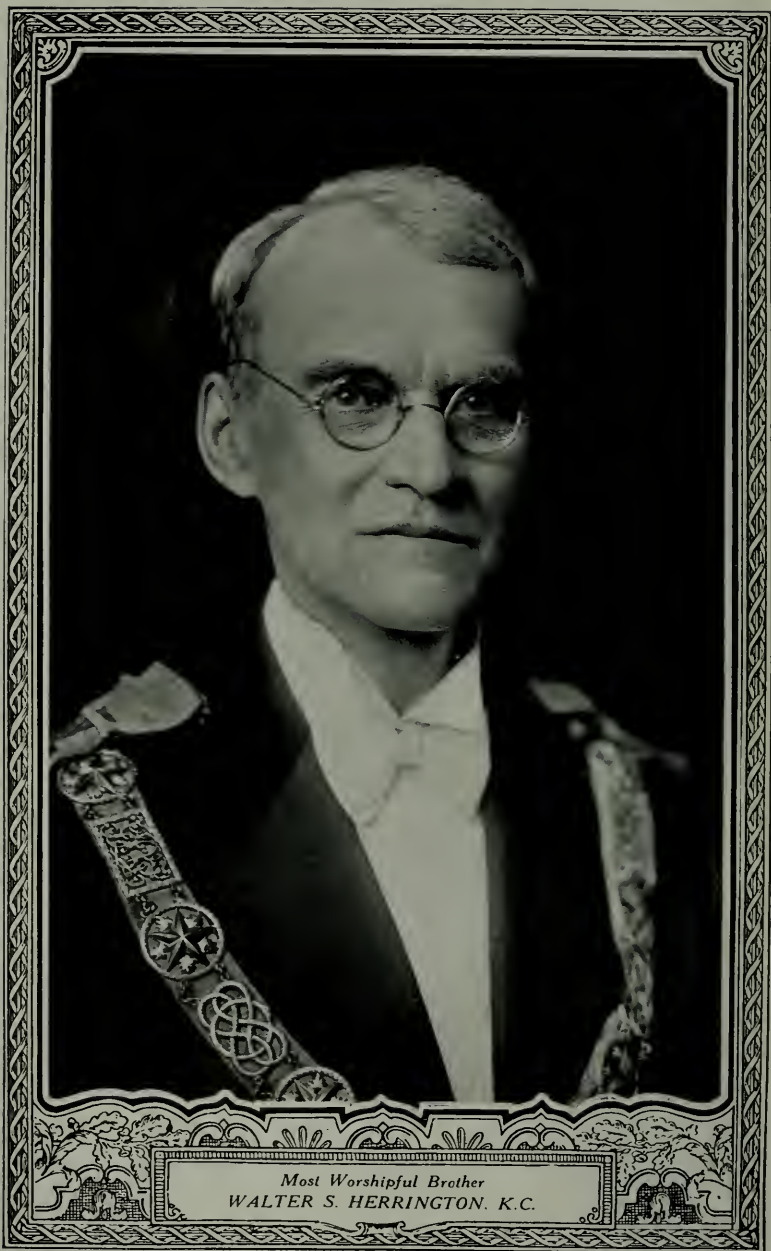
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At the Seventy-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Windsor, commencing, Wednesday, July 15th, A.D. 1931, A.L. 1931.

There were present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. Roderick B. Dargavel

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R.W. Bro. Walter S. Herrington

R.W. Bro. Thomas K. Wade	Grand Senior Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Alex. Robinson	Grand Junior Warden
R.W. Bro. Rev. Geo. W. Tebbs	Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Jas. A. Sharp	Grand Registrar

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" John Lewis	Brant
" Wm. Collins	Bruce
" Edgar V. Bingham	Chatham
" Simeon C. Gove	Eastern
" John A. McRae	Frontenac
" Geo. S. Dudley	Georgian
" Chas. K. Jutten	Hamilton A
" Orton J. Newell	Hamilton B
" Wm. A. Rath	London
" Jas. E. Bailey	Muskoka
" John H. Brown	Niagara A
" John L. Brodie	Niagara B
" Henry P. Broughton	Nipissing
" Ernest E. Bruce	North Huron
" Arthur G. Willoughby	Ontario

"	Harry F. Hardy.....	Ottawa
"	John Comstock.....	Peterborough
"	Wm. B. McClung.....	Prince Edward
"	Alfred Hillier.....	Sarnia
"	Thos. Pryde.....	South Huron
"	Chas. W. McBride.....	St. Lawrence
"	John E. Milner.....	St. Thomas
"	David L. Cramp.....	Temiskaming
"	Harry W. Gerhart.....	Toronto A
"	Wm. A. Mathieson.....	Toronto B
"	Geo. W. Slack.....	Toronto C
"	Wm. R. Scott.....	Toronto D
"	Fred C. T. Smith.....	Victoria
"	Edgar Wackett.....	Wellington
"	Fred B. Stewart.....	Wilson
"	Wm. A. Keith.....	Windsor

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"	A. J. Anderson.....	Tennessee
"	J. G. McDonald.....	Virginia
"	F. A. Copus.....	Washington
"	Jos. Fowler.....	West Virginia
"	J. M. Malcolm.....	Chili
"	J. H. Putman.....	Norway
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"	Wm. Ostler.....	Cuba

The M.W. Grand Master and the other officers of Grand Lodge assumed their respective places in the Auditorium of the Patterson Collegiate Institute, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

R.W. Bro. Wm. T. Turner formally introduced the Mayor of the City of Windsor, who in a brief address voiced the welcome of the citizens. His Worship dilated to some extent on the value of Masonry to the general community and extended to the delegates the good wishes of his people.

The Grand Master thanked the Mayor for his kind words and expressed the pleasure of the members of Grand Lodge at being permitted to return again to Windsor after thirteen years' absence. He noted briefly his knowledge of the energy and enthusiasm which were characteristic of the Masons of the Windsor district.

FIRST DAY

A constitutional number of lodges being present, Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form, and the Grand Chaplain invoked the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe upon its deliberations.

The Grand Master then announced that all Master Masons in good standing had permission to take seats in the gallery.

Following are the names of all delegates who were present and duly registered:

No. 2, Niagara, Niagara. Bros. J. H. Brown, T. M. Ferguson, and W. E. Lee.

No. 3, Ancient St. John's, Kingston. Bros. J. A. McRae and W. H. Herrington.

No. 5, Sussex, Brockville. Bros. W. M. Guild, A. H. Gilham.

No. 6, Barton, Hamilton. Bros. Geo. Moore, J. W. Hamilton.

No. 7, Union, Grimsby. Bros. C. W. Lewis, J. E. Scott, C. H. Walker and G. B. McConachie.

No. 9, Union, Napanee. Bros. W. S. Herrington, F. W. Barrett, and J. G. Fennell.

No. 10, Norfolk, Simcoe. Bros. J. W. Church, W. A. McIntosh, and R. B. Kent.

No. 11, Moira, Belleville. Bros. Alex. Wright, R. P. Orne, and J. W. Barlow.

No. 14, True Britons, Perth. Bro. J. W. Coutts.

No. 15, St. George's, St. Catharines. Bros. W. T. Dean, W. A. Darker, J. M. Shultis, and W. P. Holmes.

No. 16, St. Andrew's, Toronto. Bros. J. Pearson, H. E. Wallace, and N. S. Robertson.

No. 17, St. John's, Cobourg. Bro. J. F. McCullagh.

No. 18, Prince Edward, Picton. W. T. Pope and Milton Storms.

No. 20, St. John's, London. Bros. A. G. C. Hertel and Donald Fraser.

No. 21a, St. John's, Vankleek Hill. Rev. W. MacMorine.

No. 22, King Solomon's, Toronto. G. Hambly and E. Manifold.

No. 23, Richmond, Richmond Hill. J. R. Herrington, F. D. Webster and H. A. Monkman.

No. 24, St. Francis, Smith's Falls. C. W. McBride, R. C. Pirdy and F. B. Marguette.

No. 25, Ionic, Toronto. C. A. Seager and J. A. Rowland.

No. 26, Ontario, Port Hope. C. J. Bate and S. N. Haskill.

No. 27, Strict Observance, Hamilton. G. W. Tebbs, H. I. Sparks, H. W. Linton, J. A. Henderson, C. M. Dent, and J. H. Gibson.

No. 29, United, Brighton. Dr. Harold Clarke and A. H. Foster.

No. 30, Composite, Whitby. F. T. Rowe.

No. 31, Jerusalem, Bowmanville. G. C. Bonnycastle, Thos. Annison, R. E. Logan, M. Comstock, J. R. Stutt, G. A. Edmonstone, and R. F. Aitchison.

No. 32, Amity, Dunnville. Thos. Camelford, W. J. Appleyard, J. N. Allan, W. T. Robb, G. E. Parkes, C. R. Bilger, H. E. Arderlay, C. A. Ervin, J. P. Brown, Wm. Riley, Grant Small, W. H. Harvey, and James Loggie.

No. 33, Maitland, Goderich. C. M. Robertson and H. R. Hall.

No. 34, Thistle, Amherstburg. W. E. Moore, J. N. Cooper, D. C. Stevenson, J. E. McGee, S. H. Smith, L. J. Pettypiece, F. E. Wilson, C. F. Ayerst, W. E. Stuebing, and F. J. Lovegrove.

No. 35, St. John's, Cayuga. J. L. Mitchener.

No. 37, King Hiram, Ingersoll. Geo. Naylor, A. E. Angood, and W. F. Winlaw.

No. 38, Trent, Trenton. W. B. McClung, W. J. Potts, J. B. Little and B. H. Siddall.

No. 39, Mount Zion, Brooklin. Geo. Browne and A. J. Cook.

No. 40, St. John's, Hamilton. W. M. Logan, H. D. Sherrin, E. B. Thompson and J. A. Spittle.

No. 41, St. George's, Kingsville. C. S. Miller, Robt. Healey, A. C. Gardner, G. S. Goodeve, L. C. Hillis and K. M. Rae.

No. 42, St. George's, London. J. W. Reynolds.

No. 43, King Solomon's, Woodstock. H. Downing, John Morris, W. A. Leany, R. W. Knowles, E. Appleyard, J. M. Stevens, R. L. Revell, Wallace McWhinnie, R. D. Montgomery.

No. 44, St. Thomas, St. Thomas. F. R. Palmer.

No. 45, Brant, Brantford. Geo. H. Ryerson, R. W. E. McFadden, F. J. Sheppard, G. A. Bowden, John Lewis, F. J. Calbeck, W. E. Lohead.

No. 46, Wellington, Chatham. W. A. Stewart, and N. Mahon.

No. 47, Great Western, Windsor. W. T. Turner, V. Williamson, F. E. Mason, J. W. Adams, A. M. Wright, David Liddell, Wm. Reid, W. G. Wells, J. N. Nickell, E. C. Smith, W. C. Hart, Geo. Arnott, Robt. McDermid, Geo. B. Crombie, W. M. Gatfield, F. D. Hubbell, J. F. Reid, E. B. Winter, S. T. Wallace, W. J. Douglas, V. J. Smith, J. H. Carson and A. J. McTavish.

No. 52, Dalhousie, Ottawa. J. S. Ringrose.

No. 54, Vaughan, Maple. J. B. McLean.

No. 56, Victoria, Sarnia. Alex. Saunders, J. M. Danner, A. W. Waters and L. F. Jeffery.

No. 57, Harmony, Binbrook. N. A. Fletcher, Hugh Johnson, J. H. Glover, A. Spittal, Alex. Spittal, Jas. Muir, David Young, G. L. Bell, H. C. Johnson, B. A. Smith, A. Hillgartner, and A. Johnson.

No. 58, Doric, Ottawa. E. H. Hall.

No. 61, Acacia, Hamilton. A. N. Hill, F. A. Latshaw, J. A. Robinson, H. E. Snider, T. H. Ross, Wm. Ostler, T. H. Simpson, H. S. Moss and H. W. Temple.

No. 64, Kilwinning, London. B. W. Bennett, W. E. Summers, W. G. Doidge, and W. Lancaster.

No. 65, Rehoboam, Toronto. J. B. Nixon, W. H. Smith, J. Stephen, W. W. Ash, and W. J. S. Graham.

No. 66, Durham, Newcastle. J. L. Cryderman.

No. 68, St. John's, Ingersoll. G. H. Allen.

No. 69, Stirling, Stirling. W. H. Donnon.

No. 72, Alma, Galt. R. S. Hamilton, A. R. McFadyen, P. Hill, J. Neill, W. V. McDougall.

No. 73, St. James, St. Marys. W. J. Atkinson, R. H. Elliott, W. R. Brooks and N. L. Brandon.

No. 75, St. John's, Toronto. G. H. Heath, J. Rogerson, E. S. Calder, R. R. Davis, C. F. Boddy, O. H. King.

No. 76, Oxford, Woodstock, H. Black.

No. 77, Faithful Brethren, Lindsay. C. H. Heels.

No. 79, Simcoe, Bradford. C. C. Wilson, and S. M. Lee.

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No. 82, St. John's, Paris. W. J. Innes and Chas. Hickson.

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No. 84, Clinton, Clinton. F. T. Jackson, G. H. Jefferson, H. E. Rorke, T. G. Scribbins, and C. H. Venner.

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No. 92, Cataraqui, Kingston. T. N. Clarke.

No. 93, Northern Light, Kincardine. E. E. Bruce, J. L. Lamont, and Geo. A. Conley.

No. 94, St. Mark's, Port Stanley. R. Williamson and J. H. Burke.

No. 96, Corinthian, Barrie. Dalton White, A. Cowan, and J. C. Monkman.

No. 97, Sharon, Queensville. R. Strasler, W. D. Cameron, and Andrew Cameron.

No. 98, True Blue, Bolton. J. A. Slade and N. S. Courtney.

No. 99, Tuscan, Newmarket. W. J. Patterson A. Winn and J. G. Muir.

No. 100, Valley, Dundas. F. A. Latshaw, W. H. Moss, J. C. Anderson, A. N. Hill, H. W. Temple, C. E. Dickson, H. S. Moss, W. J. Mulligan and G. M. Quackenbush.

No. 101, Corinthian, Peterborough. W. R. Morris and J. F. Strickland.

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No. 105, St. Mark's, Niagara Falls. Thos. Harrison, A. G. Smethurst, James Milne, Fred Trelford, and C. Leys.

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No. 107, St. Paul's, Lambeth. W. D. Love, Wm. Heron and Geo. Gowanlock.

No. 108, Blenheim, Princeton. Ernest Wells, Wilson Henderson, B. J. Force and E. J. Parkhill.

No. 109, Albion, Harrowsmith. A. A. Asselstine.

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No. 113, Wilson, Waterford. R. K. Robinson and R. D. Gibson.

No. 114, Hope, Port Hope. Howard Hutchings.

No. 115, Ivy, Beamsville. W. C. Tufford.

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No. 255, Sydenham, Dresden. V. F. Craig and W. T. Jeffs.

No. 256, Farran's Point, Aultsville. S. C. Gove and M. J. Countryman.

No. 257, Galt, Galt. G. H. Thomas Jr., W. O. Beattie, G. H. Thomas Sr., H. G. Hannam, and G. A. Hickox.

No. 258, Guelph, Guelph. Chas. Wilson, S. S. Royce, R. M. Finlay, J. G. Grieve and John S. Barker.

No. 259, Springfield, Springfield. Geo. Love.

No. 260, Washington, Petrolia. H. D. Sherrin, W. H. Dowling, J. E. Taylor, H. Sanderson, E. W. Burleigh and D. M. Steadman.

No. 261, Oak Branch, Innerkip. F. B. Stewart and G. A. Smith.

No. 262, Harriston, Harriston. J. Bruce, A. Murray, J. M. Howes, F. G. Blaeker, A. Brooks, J. Clark, J. H. Fawcett, and H. M. Sinclair.

No. 263, Forest, Forest. C. E. Janes, W. K. Janes, N. R. Sparling, R. Hair, and H. K. Weatherdon.

No. 264, Chaudiere, Ottawa. W. O. Graburn and Jos. McCulloch.

No. 265, Patterson, Thornhill. J. E. Francis, S. A. Allsopp, R. W. McIntosh, N. G. McDonald, Thos. Johnstone, and J. A. Thompson.

No. 266, Northern Light, Stayner. C. H. Cauthers.

No. 267, Parthenon, Chatham. J. G. Martin, Wm. Irving, J. L. Smith, J. W. Plewes and J. A. Miller.

No. 268, Verulam, Bobcaygeon. A. E. Bottum.

No. 269, Brougham Union, Claremount. M. E. Anderson and T. C. Brown.

No. 270, Cedar, Oshawa. Robt. Meek, M. L. Argall, Chas. Pirie, E. F. Farron and F. L. Prosser.

No. 272, Seymour, Ancaster. W. F. Patterson, R. E. Brown, and J. H. Bates.

No. 276, Teeswater, Teeswater. W. H. Logan.

No. 277, Seymour, Port Dalhousie. A. R. MacDonald, R. H. Johnston, John Berry, Sr., G. H. Scott, T. O. Johnston, C. H. Thorpe, J. T. Johnston, Frank Scott and W. G. Grandon.

No. 282, Lorne, Glencoe. C. Phelps, W. J. Ford and C. E. Davidson.

No. 283, Eureka, Belleville. J. O. Herity and N. Thompson.

No. 284, St. John's, Brussels. Sam Wilton.

No. 285, Seven Star, Alliston. Ernest Skelton.

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No. 584, Kaministiquia, Fort William. M. F. Beyer, A. E. Knibbs.

No. 585, Royal Edward, Kingston. A. G. Wright.

No. 586, War Veterans, Toronto. S. Snider, S. F. Hutchinson, C. H. Reeve, F. J. Johnson, H. Radermacher, T. J. Shea, W. H. Smith, and W. E. Judges.

No. 587, Patricia, Toronto. M. F. Smeall, J. Howlett, W. M. Leask, J. C. Gilchrist, and S. W. Wilson.

No. 588, National, Capreol. A. J. Lomas and L. W. Ellis.

No. 589, Grey, Toronto. W. I. Hearst.

No. 590, Defenders, Ottawa. J. D. Gardner.

No. 591, North Gate, Toronto. E. S. Brown, J. Cook, J. M. B. Paterson, F. C. Irwin, F. P. Loney, F. L. Nash, A. G. Roberts.

No. 592, Fairbank, Toronto. J. T. Watson.

No. 593, St. Andrew's, Hamilton. J. F. McDonald and G. Milne.

No. 594, Hillcrest, Hamilton. O. J. Newell, G. A. Grassie, J. O. Ironside, R. A. Wallace, R. L. Douglas, J. Geddes, T. Hordan.

No. 595, Rideau, Ottawa. R. D. Whitmore.

No. 597, Temple, London. W. H. Rath, P. B. Fetterly, J. D. Omond, W. E. Cane, and A. B. Crawford.

No. 598, Dominion, Windsor. E. Mitchell, R. T. W. Flewelling, T. G. Douglas, C. E. Jackson, D. M. Hanna, O. M. Birchard, I. K. Arnott, C. D. Fraser, W. T. Turner, and P. Gardner.

No. 599, Mount Dennis, Weston. T. Jackson.

No. 600, Maple Leaf, Toronto. A. B. Barber and W. J. Armstrong.

No. 601, St. Paul, Sarnia. D. G. McNaughton.

No. 602, Hugh Murray, Hamilton. C. E. Kelly.

No. 603, Campbell, Campbellville. T. H. Snyder.

No. 604, Palace, Windsor. G. D. Howden, F. Darjus, A. E. Adrian, and A. B. Gillan.

No. 605, Melita, Toronto. E. W. Skirrow, A. A. Riggs, M. Sinclair, C. H. Lord.

No. 606, Unity, Toronto. R. Bowman, G. H. McKelvie, H. L. Crawford, F. Pelling, and W. J. Radford.

No. 607, Golden Fleece, Toronto. R. D. Thomas.

No. 608, Gothic, Lindsay. R. C. Wansbrough.

No. 609, Tavistock, Tavistock. K. C. Hopkinson.

No. 610, Ashlar, Byron. G. E. Yorke and F. G. Fuller.

No. 611, Huron-Bruce, Toronto. H. W. Hoag.

No. 612, Birch Cliff, Birch Cliff. R. Comrie and W. J. Merrill.

No. 613, Fort Erie, Fort Erie. J. A. Spencer, A. E. Johnson A. D. Nie, F. E. Jackson.

No. 614, Adanac, Merritton. R. Carmichael.

No. 615, Dominion, Ridgeway. J. L. Brodie, and F. C. Brown.

No. 616, Perfection, St. Catharines. G. B. McCalla, G. H. Davis, B. D. Hull, A. M. McComb.

No. 617, North Bay, North Bay. W. H. Thompson.

No. 618, Thunder Bay, Port Arthur. A. E. Chase.

No. 619, Runnymede, Toronto. C. A. Cumming, J. A. Slade, G. W. Weese, R. A. W. Stewart, and E. A. Stuart, A. H. Gilham, J. W. Jones, W. M. Hamshaw, and R. E. Johnston.

No. 620, Bay of Quinte, Toronto. F. G. Ketcheson, J. A. Slade, and J. A. M. Taylor.

No. 622, Lorne, Chapleau. F. J. Vandrick.

No. 623, Doric, Kirkland Lake. R. A. Bilbrough and D. L. Cramp.

No. 624, Dereham, Mt. Elgin. S. E. L. Woodman.

No. 625, Hatherly, Sault Ste. Marie. J. B. Way.

No. 626, Stamford, Stamford Centre. R. W. Embleton, R. F. Cooper, W. J. Goodyear.

No. 627, Pelee, Scudder. F. O. Nageleisen, Wm. Stewart, C. L. Mills.

No. 628, Glenrose, Elmira. Douglas Erb.

No. 629, Grenville, Toronto. B. S. Sheldon and W. J. Reilley.

No. 630, Prince of Wales, Toronto. Wm. Bailey, F. P. Hopkins and H. E. Hopkins.

No. 632, Long Branch, Mimico. J. B. Smith.

No. 634, Delta, Toronto. H. C. Powell.

No. 635, Wellington, Toronto. T. Rafter, D. G. McGregor, J. E. Robertson, E. Flath.

No. 626, Hornepayne, Hornepayne. R. H. Smith.

No. 637, Caledonia, Toronto. J. Ferguson, R. Simpson, R. Compton, J. Ness.

No. 638, Bedford, Toronto. T. A. Lamon.

No. 639, Beach, Burlington Beach. W. Turner.

No. 640, Anthony Sayer, Mimico. J. A. Evans.

No. 641, Garden, Windsor. D. B. Smith, J. E. Murphy, W. G. Davis, R. B. Moore, C. M. Reynett, and C. E. Moore.

No. 642, St. Andrew's, Windsor. G. E. Searle, L. C. Black, S. H. Crocker, J. C. Schofield.

No. 643, Cathedral, Toronto. J. G. Jack, G. S. Henry.

No. 644, Simcoe, Toronto. D. E. F. Gauley, W. G. MacKay.

No. 645, Lake Shore, Mimico. G. W. G. Gauld, G. R. Coomb.

No. 647, Todmorden, Todmorden. R. C. Eggaford.

No. 648, Spruce Falls, Kapuskasing. T. H. Scott.

No. 649, Temple, Oshawa. C. F. Cannon, C. R. McIntosh, G. Davidson, L. F. McLaughlin.

No. 650, Fidelity, Toledo. I. E. Lockwood.

No. 651, Dentonia, Toronto. H. A. Miller, J. Dawes, E. S. Calder.

No. 652, Memorial, Toronto. H. J. Alexander, S. J. Boyde, J. F. Steele.

No. 653, Scarboro, Agincourt. A. M. Heron, and R. R. Davis.

No. 654, Ancient Landmarks, Hamilton. H. W. Temple.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following guests of Grand Lodge were then formerly presented to the members of Grand Lodge:

M.W. Bro. H. W. Dean, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; M.W. Bro. Dudley H. Ferrell, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; V.W. Bro. L. R. Shaw, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; M.W. Bro. Wm. M. Couper, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec; M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec; M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; V. W. Bro. W. G. Price, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada;

R.W. Bro. Edwin Smith, Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Canada.

All these notable visitors were greeted with hearty applause by the delegates and were invited to take seats upon the dais.

MESSAGES OF REGRET

Expressions of regret for inability to be present were read from the Grand Masters of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New York and Michigan; also from M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge and from R.W. Bro. A. F. Webster, Sov. Grand Commander of the A. & A.S. Rite for Canada.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

A deputation composed of the Masters of all the nineteen lodges of Windsor district was introduced by R.W. Bro. W. A. Keith, D.D.G.M., and W. Bro. Stephen H. Smith, W.M. of Thistle Lodge No. 34, Amherstburg, read the following address:

To the Most Worshipful Roderick B. Dargavel, Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Through the courtesy of all the Lodges of Windsor District, it is my happy privilege to welcome you to this our Seventy-sixth Annual Communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and on behalf of the Lodges of this District, I hasten to express to you Most Worshipful Sir, a most sincere and cordial welcome and assure you of our unbounded confidence, loyalty and esteem.

While we look forward to these annual gatherings with added pleasure as a means of renewing our many friendships and reviving happy associations, the yearly communications of our Grand Lodge are indeed more than pleasant reunions; they are a resume of the past years' efforts and serve as a medium to strengthen that spirit of unity and brotherhood which has characterized our great institution for many, many years.

Since the last communication of Grand Lodge in this District, thirteen years ago, this community has made rapid industrial strides and has grown to be one of the most envied centres in our great Dominion. Along with this development Masonry has kept the pace and played a true part by unceasingly exerting its influence on a vast membership, many of whom have become master builders in the social and industrial growth of the District which at this time has the honour of being your host.

And now Most Worshipful Sir, and Members of the Grand Lodge, it is our sincere wish that your visit to this District will be one of long remembrance, that the Great Architect of the Universe will prosper our united endeavours and that when you have concluded your deliberations you will carry to your respective homes a distinct impression of that true feeling of brotherhood and love with which we welcome you today.

The Grand Master welcomed the delegation, thanked the Masters for their expressions of good will and congratulated them upon the excellent condition of the Craft in their jurisdiction. The Masters were then conducted to places especially reserved for them.

RULES OF ORDER

The Rules of Order were then read by the Grand Secretary.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master and M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, the Grand Master was empowered to alter the customary Order of Procedure as he might see fit.

MINUTES

The Grand Secretary began to read the Minutes of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication, when, on motion of M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and W. N. Ponton, it was Resolved: That, the minutes of the last Annual Communication having been printed and distributed to all constituent lodges, they be now taken as read and confirmed.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER

The M.W. the Grand Master then delivered to the brethren his Annual Address:

My Brethren—

I extend to each of you a most cordial and fraternal welcome to this, the seventy-sixth Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. More especially do we greet those who are here for the first time as representatives of their lodges to take part in our deliberations as we assemble to review the work for the Masonic year that has just closed, and to legislate and lay our plans for the future. May this meeting be of great benefit to ourselves and the Fraternity of which we are members, and ever remain a pleasant memory to us all.

It is true we are assembling in disturbing and perplexing times, when the whole world is struggling with a great economic depression, when the old order might appear to be in the process of change and transition, bringing with it chaos and confusion to our social, industrial, political and even religious life. A writer has said that "This is an age that has in it a great deal of the good and a great deal of the bad, not thoroughly good and not thoroughly bad." "It is an age which glorifies the physical and the material rather than the moral and the spiritual."

But, my brethren, be of good cheer; the clouds may hang heavily on our horizon—this may be an age of commercialism, of materialism, when the whole world seems to be engaged in the mad scramble for gold and the ambition for wealth, but there is a silver lining in an assemblage of this character, when men of every calling imbued with unselfish motives are willing to abandon their ordinary vocation for a time in order to deliberate upon matters pertaining to the welfare of an institution established to inculcate and to practise the principles of human brotherhood

Masonry has felt and responded to the impulses of every age, and it has never failed to discharge its mission to meet the new problems of the ever changing generations. It has received all that our fathers

had of noble optimism and high endeavour; all that they wrought for truth and honor, for faith and freedom. It lives and flourishes because its principles appeal to that which is highest and noblest in human nature, and its quiet, benign and powerful influence is felt in the heart of every man who yields himself to its persuasive power

If men in our day are worn with doubts—weary with vain strivings, starved with the unsatisfying husks of material things and hopeless of the purposes of the Infinite and the destiny of humanity, it is ours to support their failing faith, to lift them to new heights where even in the hours of darkness they may catch hope and inspiration in the glint of a coming day, when following the sublime purposes and precepts of our Fraternity, they may learn that toleration, mutual concessions, and an earnest determination to be just and generous to each other, will bring all classes and all creeds more closely together in the bonds of friendship and fraternity, with a greater realization of how much we are dependent upon each other for our well-being, and upon the great Architect of the Universe for His manifold blessings.

Thus assembling for this Annual Communication amidst all this stress and confusion, may we be impressed with the great potential power of Masonry and the measure of the obligation that is ours to hasten the march towards better days, by giving to the individual strength of mind and of heart to meet the problems of his daily life and above all by enabling him to differ with his fellow man and yet to grant to that brother man credit for equal sincerity with himself.

May we appreciate that the appeal of masonry is to the individual, and it is only as the individual recognizes the principles of truth and honor, the claims of justice and righteousness, that those great evils, human avarice, human greed and human selfishness which would destroy all governments and involve the whole social fabric in one common disaster, may be dethroned, and from their ruins there may be

built up a greater interest in the growth and development of our civilization and in the amelioration of the present conditions of mankind.

It is however, gratifying to note that notwithstanding this continued commercial depression, affecting as it has all classes of the community, that our Masonic year just ended has contributed largely to the marked prosperity which has uniformly attended our Grand Lodge. The reports of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer will indicate that we have been favored by a steady normal increase in membership, that our revenues have been maintained and our reserve funds augmented. We have thus enjoyed a satisfactory record in our general material prosperity, and we have ample reason for satisfaction and contentment with the present and every hope and confidence for the future. I have been favored by the cordial and loyal support, and you have been served by the conscientious and efficient efforts of your Grand Lodge Officers for the year. During my term as Grand Master I have been much indebted for the ever ready counsel and assistance of my predecessors in office. Our Past Grand Masters are unfortunately few in number, but we have an adequate compensation for any deficiency in numerical strength by their wealth of experience and their intense loyalty and devotion to the interests of the craft. I trust you will not accuse me of making a distinction if I make special reference to two of our Grand Lodge Officers and again mention the resolute purpose, the untiring energy, and the long faithful service of the Grand Treasurer; and there is also that living encyclopedia of Masonic information, the Grand Secretary, who is ever ready and willing to permit us to draw from his inexhaustible storehouse of knowledge of the craft.

But I would remind you that while we rejoice in the guidance of these leaders, Masonry requires to-day as probably never before, not only leadership of the few, but also of the great constituency of loyal and true Masons. The world judges Masonry by the character, zeal and interest manifested in its behalf, by its votaries and by what it accomplishes for good

in the world. The earnest, well-informed Mason who in his daily life exemplifies the principles of his profession is continually creating a favorable impression in the minds of those whom we would gladly welcome at our portals. We are living in days of doubt, even distrust, in a critical age, and if Masonry is to stand the test you and I as individuals must show to the world at large that our precepts of equality, fraternity and brotherhood are living and vital forces in making men realize that no man liveth to himself, that we are all dependent one upon the other, that the principles of the golden rule must be applied if the golden sun of prosperity is again to shine, and that then, and only then, will the world be better for the lessons we have learned in these trying times.

I desire to express my humble and grateful appreciation for all the kindness and courtesy extended to me on my visits to every section of the Province. Everywhere have I been received in the most hospitable manner, and with that loyalty and attachment to my office which have always characterized the Masons of this Jurisdiction. During the past two years it has been my privilege and pleasure to attend representative gatherings of members of the Craft in all our Masonic Districts. In some instances it has been necessary to make more than one visit to a District, and on all occasions I have been convinced that regard for the Fraternity and respect for the Grand Master seem to be distinguishing characteristics of the Masons belonging to this Grand Lodge. I regret that time will not permit me to review all these meetings, but I cannot refrain from making special reference to my visits to our lodges in the Algoma, Temiskaming, and Nipissing Districts, which cover that part of the Province known as Northern Ontario. I travelled about five thousand miles in my four journeys to New Ontario. But it was worth all the time and energy to learn by personal observation not only of the vast extent and the wealth of the natural resources, but also to appreciate the initiative, the optimism, and endeavor of the people of that wonderful country of the North. And above all, I was delighted and gratified to find our lodges without

exception in a most flourishing condition—that Masonry in no part of our Jurisdiction is more vigorous and vitalizing in its strengthening and stabilizing influence than in these pioneer days in the settlement of our great Northern heritage

I have made several visits outside of our Province. The opportunity of conveying your personal and fraternal greetings to our neighbouring Grand Jurisdictions will ever remain with me as a happy and delightful memory. In December I attended the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts at the Annual Celebration of the Festival of St. John. Their reception was most cordial and gratifying and we were privileged to witness the dignified and impressive ceremony of the Installation of the Officers of this much honored and respected Grand Jurisdiction. I was also your Ambassador of Goodwill to convey our fraternal felicitations to the Masons of Connecticut at their Annual Communication in February, at the City of Hartford. I was accompanied by the Grand Secretary to that very notable and historical Masonic event of the year, when we attended in May in the City of New York the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of that State. It was a remarkable gathering—almost world-wide in its representation. The several banquets and sessions of their Grand Lodge held in connection with this Celebration were an education and an inspiration, and worthy of one of our largest and most influential Grand Jurisdictions. I regret that owing to my many engagements I was unable to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodges of New Jersey, Rhode Island, Michigan and North Dakota. I was much impressed by my visits to our friends and neighbours “across the Line”. While we may differ to some extent in the outward form and expression, in the essentials we are all one, for Freemasonry in its principles and precepts transcends all State and National boundaries. In our day, and for the future, Masons of every flag and all domains must make a constant and united effort to proclaim its teachings of peace on earth—good-will and toleration to men of all countries and of every creed.

At our Annual Communication in 1928 it was suggested that Canadian Masonry had a mission to discharge in creating a "better understanding among the various parts of our far flung Dominion," and it was decided "that nothing should be left undone to promote a more intimate relationship and a regular interchange of visits between the Canadian Grand Lodges." I have felt that this was one of the most important obligations I was called on to discharge during my term as your Grand Master, and I am pleased to advise you that since 1928, through your Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters, we have with one exception visited all of the Canadian Grand Jurisdictions. During this year I again renewed our very intimate associations with our brethren and nearest neighbours in the Province of Quebec, and I have recently returned from a journey to our two far Western Grand Jurisdictions—Alberta and British Columbia. This trip has been a happy, delightful, and worth-while experience. It has been a fitting climax to my two years in office which have not only broadened my Masonic vision, but given me the advantage of a truly liberal Masonic education.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta assembled in the City of Edmonton, in the comfortable and commodious Temple recently erected by the loyal and enterprising Masons of that City. I was given a most enthusiastic welcome, and Grand Master Sneddon and his officers were unsparing in their kindness and courtesy during my visit. I was much impressed by their very successful Annual Communication, and I had the further pleasure of contact with the brethren of Alberta on my return from the Coast, when I had the privilege of addressing a representative gathering of Masons in the City of Calgary. M.W. Bro. Kirby, the present Grand Master, was present, and joined with his members in contributing to the warmth and cordiality of my reception.

I spent a week in British Columbia, and from the hour we arrived at Prince Rupert until our departure from Vancouver, nothing could surpass the kindness and attention of the Masons of that Province. I

wish that time and space would permit me to detail all the courtesy and hospitality which were so graciously extended to us during our visit. The Annual Communication of their Grand Lodge was held in the City of New Westminster, and it was to me a most interesting and instructive meeting, and I was particularly impressed by the large number of active and zealous Past Grand Masters who were present. Their Grand Lodge is progressive and prosperous, and above all, there is a constant and successful effort to maintain the best traditions of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. A fitting conclusion to my visits in the West was an unexpected but very delightful dinner arranged for me in Winnipeg by M.W. Bro. Black, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. I was thus enabled to meet and enjoy the fellowship for a few hours of a number of the leaders of the Craft in that Province. The prevailing thought and expression at every point and in all my contacts were that the interchange of visits and fraternal intercourse between our Canadian Jurisdictions should be encouraged; that Freemasonry in Canada should become a greater influence in eliminating any difference between East and West, and in the development of a greater national pride and consciousness, so that citizens of every Province might have a greater knowledge and appreciation of the bountiful heritage which we, as Canadians, enjoy.

FRATERNAL DEAD

Once again at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge our pleasure in forming new ties and cementing old and tried friendships is shadowed with regrets when we look for and fail, to find the faces of friends and associates of former years. And now we come to speak in loving memory of those who since a year ago have said their last farewells as they have heard the call silently out of the great Vastness, or suddenly amidst the busy activities of life.

The year just passed has brought to each his own experiences. To some it has been crowned by joys, success and triumphs. To others it must have seemed

The usual number of dispensations have been granted for change of lodge meeting dates and social functions, but those of a special nature I have in most cases declined. I hold that the requirements of the Constitution and our Lodge By-laws are to be observed, and a Grand Master should not nullify them by issuing dispensations unless under very exceptional circumstances. There have been a number of requests for dispensations to admit candidates with a physical disability, but I am pleased that our lodges have complied with the recommendations I made in my address last year, and that greater care has been taken to know that the mental and financial conditions of the applicant are such that he will not be a further embarrassment or burden to the Craft.

I have had several requests from our lodges to appoint commissioners to investigate charges of Masonic offences. I have encouraged this method of conducting trials, as in my judgment a small commission of wise and experienced Masons is preferable to a trial by the members of the Constituent Lodge. The report of these commissions and my decisions thereon will be reviewed in the report of the Committee on "Grievances and Appeals".

Our lodges are still active in legislation judging by the numbers of amendments to By-laws which have been submitted for my consideration. I have been somewhat concerned during the past few months, in reviewing these amendments, to notice that some of our lodges are reducing the Initiation fees, and I have reluctantly given my approval to these changes. Grand Lodge has always refrained from dictating the policy of the constituent lodge, and it is difficult for the Grand Master to make a recommendation without a knowledge of the local situation.

We all realize that there is a financial stringency, and that Masonry is a luxury, but we must discourage any propaganda which attempt to make it too attractive. It is expected under present conditions that there will be fewer applications, but our lodges should maintain a balanced budget by sane and practical

economy, and avoid any methods which may ultimately reflect on the credit and honor of the craft. Freemasonry at this time should be stable, and not panicky, and it will continue to attract to its ranks men of right mental and moral fibre from whatever station in life they may come. Let us remember that ours is a goodly heritage, and our first obligation is to maintain it pure and unsullied that we may keep the faith with our brethren of old with a hope and confidence in the ultimate survival of its cherished ideals of charity and brotherly love.

The present situation should forcibly remind some of our lodges of the necessity for careful, prudent and business-like administration. If a lodge finds it has a financial problem, it will in most instances be found that the annual dues are too small, or the expenditures too extravagant, and that all of the initiation fees have been used to meet the regular operating expenses of the lodge. This problem must be bravely faced, and it cannot be solved by lowering our standards or accumulation of liabilities which may finally result in trouble and disaster to the lodge. Every lodge should aim at a balanced budget, so that the Annual dues and income from investments should meet the current ordinary expenditure, and initiation and affiliation fees should be placed in a rest or reserve account to provide for any emergency which may arise when least expected.

This temporary breathing spell in the reception of applicants may in many respects prove beneficial to the craft; our officers in some instances have been too busy conferring degrees to give sufficient attention to other important spheres of lodge activities.

We must not depreciate the value of correct, dignified and impressive ritualistic work which conveys to us clearly and accurately the teachings of the different degrees, but many of our Worshipful Masters and Officers conclude they have discharged the whole duty of their office by a thorough knowledge of the ritual. There is a practical and business side in the ruling of a lodge, and one of the chief essentials is that our lodge accounts be thoroughly and accurately inscribed

Masonic complaints seem to come in cycles, and I have an unusual number recently, covering inaccurate and incomplete methods, and even misrepresentations in recording the financial affairs of some of our lodges. It is most disturbing to learn that even in some of our larger lodges the annual audit of the accounts has been for years very casually and perfunctorily discharged. Our brethren are not true to the well-being of their lodges and our fraternity if they permit their fraternal instincts to impair and nullify their business acumen and astuteness. The proper, efficient and well-ordered conduct of the business transactions of our constituent lodges is so vital to the welfare and advancement of our institution that we must view with serious concern the neglect of some of our officers to discharge their important and sacred trust, and while this Grand Lodge has always hesitated to direct the internal affairs of our lodges. I feel that we must exercise more thorough supervision of their accounting and records. We have relied on our D.D.G.Ms. to examine the lodge records in their annual inspection, but even these brethren who have been honored with one of the most important offices in the gift of the craft have in some cases neglected their responsibility. Our D.D.G.Ms. must give more care and attention to this important part of their work, and we should have complete and detailed reports on lodge finances and records sent regularly to the Grand Secretary's office. This matter is of sufficient importance to be reviewed by a special committee of Grand Lodge, and I so recommend.

The most serious problem facing many of our lodges is an old one, but it may become acute with us, and has in some parts of the Masonic world, and that is the great loss suffered each year through Demits and suspensions for N.P.D. There are many causes for this annual wastage, and it should not be attributed solely at this time to the present economic conditions.

I strongly urge that all our lodges should have an active representative committee to investigate the circumstances of all members who are in arrears for their annual dues. A thorough investigation will indicate,

I believe, that we in some instances admitted those who have not the mental and moral fibre to appreciate Freemasonry. The casual and indifferent Mason adds no strength to the Fraternity, and we need not be concerned if his name is dropped from our roll of membership. A diagnosis of our members will, however, indicate that suspensions in some cases are traceable to our neglect in bringing to the receptive mind of our initiates the social, educational and vital things which Masonry affords. We are not practising true Masonry when we permit this class to be suspended for N.P.D. Our obligation is to strengthen and nourish them Masonically so that their minds and hearts may become imbued with nobler thoughts, higher ideals and better impulses, and then they will appreciate the silent mysterious workings of the Craft, which is constantly striving for a common brotherhood, and for a purer and higher plane of living. The financial position of all of our delinquent members should be our first consideration. A brother who is in circumstances of distress should not be permitted to take his "Demit" for financial reasons, nor should he be suspended for N.P.D. That is the time when he needs all the comfort and consolation which Masonic membership affords.

My desire is that we may all realize that this yearly loss of membership is a matter of serious concern to us all—not for the aggregate of numbers—for that is only incidental in the welfare of the Fraternity, and we would solve the most intricate phases of this problem if we gave less attention to the accruing of members for our material growth, and devoted more time to the making of Masons who add strength and virility to the craft, by loyalty and devotion to the fundamental and eternal principles upon which the Institution is founded.

THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

In the review of the many activities of our Grand Lodge we may frequently overlook the faithful and efficient service rendered year by year by the Board of General Purposes. This Board is the committee of Grand Lodge, and it discharges the major

part of the administration work of our Grand Jurisdiction. It has to consider and determine all subjects of Masonic complaint and irregularity; it supervises the financial affairs of Grand Lodge; it directs to a great extent our benevolent activities; it reviews year by year the condition of the craft in our Jurisdiction; gives its approval to all warrants for new lodges, and makes recommendations on all matters, specially relegated by Grand Lodge for its consideration. The fact that this Grand Lodge almost invariably approves and adopts the business submitted by the Board is the best testimony of the care and attention that is given to their duties by its members who exclusive of the ex-officio members are twenty in number, ten being elected by the Grand Lodge, and ten appointed by the Grand Master.

This provision for the election and appointment of these twenty members of the Board was made sixty years ago when we had about 140 lodges and ten thousand members, and through that long period we have been most fortunate in our selection of experienced and well-skilled Masons, who in the discharge of their exacting and onerous duties have often found it necessary to sacrifice their private interests and personal comfort. With the remarkable growth and expansion of Grand Lodge in recent years, the responsibility of the members who direct the affairs of the Committees of the Board is far greater than many of us realize. In fact, I feel that we do not appreciate that our Grand Lodge in fifteen years has grown from a comparatively small to a very large institution. In 1916 we had 449 lodges, with a membership of 61,000; now there are 568 lodges, with over 117,000 Masons. Our grants for benevolence have increased from \$35,000 to almost \$120,000. Our annual revenue in 1916 was about \$50,000.00; now it is \$170,000.00, and our reserve funds have expanded from slightly over \$200,000.00 to more than \$800,000.

This development has been most marked in the urban centres of population and the rapid increase in the number of lodges in our larger cities has given to them a corresponding addition to their voting con-

stituency in Grand Lodge. There is a growing sentiment probably to some extent justified owing to the increased representation from the large cities that the smaller cities and the rural districts of the Jurisdiction have not their proper allotment in the elected and appointed members of the Board of General Purposes.

The duties of this Board are too important, the proper deference and respect for its decisions are so vital to the welfare of the craft that we must guard against any criticism or even suggestion that there is not fair and equitable representation from all parts of the Jurisdiction. From opinions which have been expressed to me by influential Masons in many parts of the Province, I feel it is a matter of sufficient import to be reviewed by a special committee, and I recommend that such a committee be named to consider the number and the method of selection of the members of the Board of General Purposes and report at our next Annual Communication.

Before I conclude, I think it fitting that I should express my sincere appreciation to all our members who contributed so freely of their time and talents to make for the successful celebration of our seventy-fifth Anniversary at our last Annual Communication. There were many features which will ever remain with us that marked it as a memorable and inspiring event. The loyalty and co-operation of our members in their contributions to the Memorial Fund, the excellent work of our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Herrington, in the History of our Grand Lodge, and the number of distinguished visitors who favoured us with their presence, are worthy of special mention. We were particularly fortunate to have with us the representatives from the Mother Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. We regretted the absence of the M.W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, but he had an excellent and most acceptable representative in our Grand Treasurer, M.W. Bro. Malone. I believe we would be honoring ourselves if we reciprocated to some extent the gracious

favor which was extended to our Grand Lodge by their presence, and confer honorary rank on these distinguished brethren. I would therefore recommend that the rank of Past Grand Master be conferred upon M.W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Stair, and on M.W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Earl of Donoughmore—that R.W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Earl of Galloway be given the rank of Past Grand Senior Warden; V.W. Bro. Canon F. J. C. Gillmor the rank of Past Grand Chaplain, and W. Bro. Admiral J. Bridges Eustace the rank of Past Grand Registrar.

And now, Brethren, I have done. In a few hours my term of office is ended. It would not be possible for any ruler in the craft to receive a larger measure of assistance, loyalty and co-operation than has been my happy lot. From a heart full of gratitude I express my appreciation to each and all of you. As I review my activities of the past two years, I am all the more conscious of the fact that great as is the honor and distinction of being the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, it in the final analysis counts for but little unless the contribution to the welfare of the fraternity is commensurate with the opportunities which that office affords. But I gather consolation as I realize that Masonry in its spirit and soul is charitable, and all that it requires of its votaries, no matter what may be our rank or degree, is a faithful and conscientious service. And any service we may render to the craft should be an opportunity rather than obligation for who would not serve Freemasonry in its advocacy of freedom without anarchy, of religion, without creed, of liberty without license and of law without oppression? In fact, service to our fraternity is an attractive, a magnetic force, when we consider our Masonry so peerless in her splendid symbolism, her glorious traditions and her noble aspirations. My appeal to you, my brethren, is that our service to our Craft may be such that Masonry will continue to stand for all that is high in thought and progressive in the line of right, that by its inculcation of piety and virtue, patriotism to our country, fidelity to our homes, service to God and humanity, that it may attain a higher plane of usefulness than ever before.

God grant that the spirit for which Masonry has ever contended may be the inspiration of all our hearts, and that we may all work together with such love and unity that great as has been her achievements, still greater will be her benedictions and blessings for the future.

R. B. DARGAVEL,
Grand Master

APPENDIX

CONSTITUTION AND CONSECRATION

The following lodges were duly constituted and consecrated—

Memorial Lodge No. 652, Toronto, on Wednesday, October 1st, 1930, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Dentonia Lodge No. 651, Toronto, on Tuesday, October 7th, 1930, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Fidelity Lodge No. 650, Toledo, on Friday, October 17th, 1930, by the M.W. the Grand Master

DEDICATIONS

The following lodge rooms have been dedicated, viz.—

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton, on Monday, September 8th, 1930, by R.W. Bro. J. H. Zinn, D.D.G.M.

Fidelity Lodge No. 650, Toledo, on Friday, October 17th, 1930, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Carleton Lodge No. 465, Carp, on Saturday, October 18th, 1930, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

McColl Lodge, No. 386, West Lorne, on Wednesday, November 26th, 1930, by R.W. Bro. J. E. Milner, D.D.G.M.

Manitou Lodge No. 631, Emo, on Friday, December 19th, 1930, by R.W. Bro. M. F. Beyer, D.D.G.M.

Wellington Lodge No. 46, Parthenon Lodge No. 267, and Victory Lodge No. 563, Chatham, on Thursday, January 15th, 1931, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, and Stratford Lodge No. 332, Stratford, on Friday, March 6th, 1931, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, on Wednesday, March 25th, 1931, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Corinthian Lodge No. 96, and Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie, on Tuesday, March 31st, 1931, by the M.W. the Grand Master.

Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale, on Friday, May 1st, 1931, by R.W. Bro. G. S. Dudley, D.D.G.M.

Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew, on Wednesday, May 27th, 1931, by R.W. Bro. H. F. Hardy, D.D.G.M.

Earl Kitchener Lodge No. 538, Port McNicol, on Tuesday, June 30th, 1931, by R.W. Bro. G. S. Dudley, D.D.G.M.

NEW LODGE

A dispensation was issued for the following new lodge—

Ancient Landmarks Lodge to meet at Hamilton, in Hamilton B District.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Upon nomination by their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed to represent this Grand Lodge at their own Grand Lodge, viz.:—

R.W. Bro. Alfred C. Wilson, Grand Lodge of Vermont.

Bro. Bernardo A. Tello, Grand Lodge of Guatemala.

R.W. Bro. Geo. K. Marshall, Grand Lodge of Ohio.

As representatives of other Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge, the M.W. the Grand Master has been pleased to appoint the following:—

R.W. Bro. Hon. D. M. Sutherland for the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

R.W. Bro. B. S. Sheldon for the Grand Lodge of South Dakota.

R.W. Bro. J. O. Herity for the Grand Lodge of The Netherlands.

R.W. Bro. James Gill for the Grand Lodge of Ecuador.

On motion of M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and J. A. Rowland, it was resolved: That the Address of the M.W. the Grand Master be referred to a Special Committee for consideration and report.

The Grand Master appointed upon this committee, M.W. Bros. W. N. Ponton, Chairman; E. T. Malone, W. H. Wardrope and J. A. Rowland.

REPORTS OF THE GRAND TREASURER AND THE GRAND SECRETARY

The report of the Grand Treasurer was presented by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone and the report of the Grand Secretary by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan. On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. Malone, the reports were received and adopted.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements, and Investment Accounts, of the Grand Lodge for the year ended 31st May, 1931, same representing my twenty-eighth consecutive annual report.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Receipts

To Balance of Account in Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st May, 1930.....		\$ 36,309.48
Refund from Grand Lodge Expenses 1930....	\$ 500.00	
Refund from Grand Lodge Payroll Cheque..	136.50	
Refund from Local Board of Relief, Brockville.....	90.00	
Sales of History at Grand Lodge.....	475.00	
		<hr/> 1,201.50
Received from Grand Secretary from Lodges.....	131,679 85	
Interest on Investments.....	19,076.33	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	1,363.09	
		<hr/> 152,119.27
Debentures Matured:—		
Province of Ontario.....	10,000.00	
County of York.....	5,000.00	
City of St. Thomas.....	1,730.17	
		<hr/> 16,730.17
		<hr/> \$206,360.42

Disbursements

General Charges.....		\$ 40,273.46
Benevolent Orders.....	\$101,795.00	
Less: Grants cancelled 1930-1931.....	4,235.00	
	<hr/>	97,560.00
Purchase of:—		
Etobicoke Debentures.....	10,302.20	
Saskatoon Debentures.....	10,000.00	
	<hr/>	20,302.20
Less: Commission allowed.....	50.00	
	<hr/>	20,252.20
Accrued Interest.....	311.89	
	<hr/>	20,564.09
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of		
Commerce, 31st May, 1931.....	51,623.70	
Less: Outstanding cheques.....	3,660.83	
	<hr/>	47,962.87
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		\$206,360.42

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

Toronto, 16th June, 1931.

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Disbursements

June	1	Grand Secretary Incidental Expenses 1930 ..	\$	300.00
	30	Grand Secretary.....		500.00
		Chief Clerk.....		250.00
		Stenographer.....		166.66
		Clerk.....		150.00
		Telephone.....		7.20
		Office Rent.....		250.00
		Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....		100.00
		Auditor.....		150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....		100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....		250.00
July	9	Grand Lodge Expenses.....		2,500.00
	17	Grand Lodge Expenses.....		2,000.00
	31	Grand Secretary.....		500.00
		Chief Clerk.....		250.00
		Stenographer.....		166.66
		Clerk.....		150.00
		Telephone.....		7.20
		Chairman Fraternal Correspondence.....		400.00
		G.M. Travelling Expenses.....		750.00
		G.M. Stenographer.....		150.00
		D.G.M. Travelling Expenses.....		250.00
		Grand Secretary, Incidental Expenses.....		300.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....		100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....		250.00
		B. S. Sheldon.....		67.00
		Chairman Benevolence Committee, Postage.....		20.00
		D.G.M. Postage.....		20.00
		Grand Treasurer Postage.....		10.00
		Maccomb Press.....		161.60
		United Typewriter.....		3.00
		Geo. H. Lees & Co.....		19.29
		Robt. Raw & Co.....		115.42
		Robt. Duncan & Co.....		5.80
		Griffin & Richmond.....		46.36
		Rent, Deposit Box.....		10.00
		W. J. Fearman.....		19.50
		R. F. Richardson.....		12.00
		Barnard Stamp Co.....		2.47
		M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, attending G. L. Nova Scotia.....		83.95
		Stewart Davidson.....		5.00
		Ontario Intelligencer.....		7.07
Aug.	30	Grand Secretary.....		500.00
		Chief Clerk.....		250.00
		Stenographer.....		166.66
		Clerk.....		150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....		100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....		250.00
		Telephone.....		7.20
		Joshua Smith.....		1,077.50
Sept.	30	Grand Secretary.....		500.00
		Chief Clerk.....		250.00
		Stenographer.....		166.66

		Clerk.....	150.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Office Rent.....	250.00
		Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....	100.00
		Auditor.....	150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Grand Secretary, Incidentals.....	300.00
Oct.	31	Griffin & Richmond.....	9.35
		Robt. Raw & Co.....	3.89
		Robt. Duncan & Co.....	75.55
		F. & J. McMulkin.....	75.00
		Maccoomb Press.....	3.96
		Geo. H. Lees & Co.	4.64
		Rent, Deposit Box.....	40.00
		T. Eaton Co., Ltd.....	23.90
		Postage, Grand Lodge Proceedings.....	219.00
		C. S. Hamilton, Expenses G. L. Meeting....	361.20
		Masonic Relief Association.....	285.59
		International Railway Publishing Co.....	6.06
		Stewart Davidson.....	15.00
		Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	250.00
		Stenographer.....	166.66
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Grand Secretary, Travelling Expenses.....	123.65
		Grand Treasurer, Long Distance Calls.....	3.60
Nov.	29	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	250.00
		Stenographer.....	166.66
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Dunlops.....	11.18
Dec.	31	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Grand Secretary, Incidentals.....	300.00
		Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....	100.00
		Auditor.....	150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Stenographer, Supervisor Benevolence	150.00
		Chief Clerk.....	250.00
		Stenographer.....	166.66
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Rent of Office.....	250.00
		G.M. Travelling Expenses.....	750.00
		G. M. Stenographer.....	150.00
		D.G.M. Travelling Expenses.....	250.00
		D.G.M. Postage.....	10.00
		Chairman Benevolent Committee, Postage	10.00

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Jan.	31	Robt. Raw & Co.....	134.33
		Griffin & Richmond.....	43.33
		Hugh Murray.....	61.96
		Grand Secretary Incidentals.....	53.00
		Payne & Hardy.....	27.54
		National Paper Goods Co.....	3.92
		The Campbell Barry Co.....	53.53
		United Typewriter Co.....	16.00
		Robt. Duncan & Co.....	2,886.10
		Reid Press.....	1,343.30
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	250.00
		Stenographer.....	166.66
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
Feb.	28	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	250.00
		Stenographer.....	166.66
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Grand Secretary, Incidentals.....	300.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		W. J. Dunlop.....	84.49
		Hamilton Paper Box Co.....	40.40
		Kents Limited.....	300.00
		Jas. F. Mercer.....	15.20
Mar.	31	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	300.00
		Stenographer.....	83.33
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....	100.00
		Auditor.....	150.00
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Office Rent.....	250.00
		Duncan & Co.....	2,000.00
April	9	Griffin & Richmond.....	23.36
		Robt. Raw & Co.....	40.91
		Robt. Duncan & Co.....	20.71
		Geo. H. Lees & Co.....	486.82
		W. H. Wardrope.....	12.00
		Charles L. Empringham.....	46.45
		Rent, Deposit Box.....	40.00
	30	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	300.00
		Stenographer.....	83.33
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Stenographer.....	75.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00

		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		Grand Secretary Stenographer.....	65.00
		M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, Postage on By-laws.....	50.00
May	18	Grand Secretary Travelling.....	175.95
	31	Grand Secretary.....	500.00
		Chief Clerk.....	300.00
		Stenographer.....	83.34
		Clerk.....	150.00
		Stenographer.....	75.00
		Telephone.....	7.20
		Inspector Benevolence.....	100.00
		Supervisor Benevolence.....	250.00
		G.M. Travelling Expenses.....	300.00
		Rosery Forest.....	20.00
		Geo. H. Lees.....	14.41
		Griffin & Richmond.....	85.36
		W. R. Crockett & Son.....	19.70
		Stewart Davidson.....	5.00
		Robt. Raw & Co.....	26.26
		Can. Passenger Association.....	15.00
		Robt. Duncan & Co.....	620.25
		Douglas L. Ewing.....	10.00
		W. J. Dunlop.....	17.40
		Grand Secretary, Postage and Express on Histories	161.91
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			40,273.46
		Benevolent Orders.....	97,560.00
		Investments including Interest Accrued.....	20,564.09
		Bank Balance, 30th May, 1931 ..	\$51,623.70
		Less: Outstanding cheques.....	3,660.83
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			47,962.87
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			\$206,360.42

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Schedule of Assets as at 31st May, 1931

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	5½	5½	\$ 50,500.00	\$ 50,500.00
Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	5½	6¼	4,650.00	5,000.00
Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	5½	4.91	10,257.00	10,000.00
Landed Banking and Loan Company.....	5¼	5¼	5,000.00	5,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5¼	5¼	11,000.00	11,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5	5	10,000.00	10,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	4¾	4¾	15,000.00	15,000.00
Barton, Township of.....	5½	5.20	5,223.00	5,000.00
Brandon, City of.....	5	4⅞	2,116.04	2,000.00
Brantford, City of.....	4	3⅞	8,173.00	8,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5¼	5¼	3,000.00	3,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5	5	20,000.00	20,000.00
Dominion of Canada C.N.R. Equipment ..	5	4.95	1,503.75	1,500.00
Canadian National Rys	5	5	11,000.00	11,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	2,054.20	2,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	3,087.30	3,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	2,062.00	2,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	3,098.70	3,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	5½	6	5,192.26	5,072.00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4⅞	509.80	500.00
Manitoba, Province of	5½	5.30	7,143.50	7,000.00
New Westminster, City of.....	5	4.80	5,125.00	5,000.00
National Trust Co.	5	5	10,000.00	10,000.00
Oxford, County of.....	5	4½	1,613.60	1,509.58
Oshawa, City of.....	5	5.6	9,875.00	10,000.00
Owen Sound, City of.....	5	5.6	9,860.00	10,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.55	3,790.00	4,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.30	9,700.00	10,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6½	10,463.75	11,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.05	4,975.00	5,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	5	6	5,021.23	5,000.00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	5.40	16,160.60	15,000.00
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4⅞	1,009.31	1,000.00
Peterborough, City of....	4½	4½	5,121.37	5,121.37

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Schedule of Assets—Continued

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
St. Thomas, City of	4	$4\frac{1}{16}$	5,671.80	5,616.94
Stratford, City of.....	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$	980.85	1,000.00
Sandwich, Township of	$5\frac{1}{2}$	5.15	4,163.97	4,000.00
Saskatoon, City of.....	5	5	10,000.00	10,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	$5\frac{1}{4}$	5.40	8,152.80	8,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	6	$6\frac{1}{4}$	11,600.40	12,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	6	$6\frac{1}{4}$	2,901.30	3,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	$4\frac{1}{2}$	4.68	4,807.50	5,000.00
Woodstock, City of.....	$5\frac{1}{2}$	6	4,655.80	5,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	5	5	21,000.00	21,000.00
East York, Township of	5	5.10	1,980.00	2,000.00
			<u>\$349,199.83</u>	<u>\$348,819.89</u>

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce.. \$ 51,623.70

Less: Outstanding cheques..... 3,660.83

\$ 47,962.87\$396,782.76

The attached Schedule of Assets shows the amount to the Credit of General Fund on the 31st day of May, 1931, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the Debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer

Audited, certified to as being correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

Toronto, 16th June, 1931.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1931.

RECEIPTS

To Balance at credit of Account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, on 31st May, 1930.....	\$ 9,216.81
Interest on Investments.....	\$ 5,317.10
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	121.48
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	5,438.58
Securities Matured or Sold:—	
City of Windsor—matured.....	1,386.33
Hamilton Masonic Hall Shares, sold.....	100.00
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	1,486.33
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	\$ 16,141.72

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase of:—

Saskatoon Debentures.....	\$ 7,000.00
Calgary Debentures.....	972.50
Ottawa Debentures.....	353.25
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	8,325.75
Less: Commission allowed.....	35.00
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	8,290.75
Accrued Interest.....	147.07
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	8,437.82
Benevolent Orders.....	6,535.30
Less: Grants cancelled 1930-31.....	260.00
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	6,275.30
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st May, 1931.....	2,993.60
Less: Outstanding cheques.....	1,565.00
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	1,428.60
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	\$ 16,141.72

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

Toronto, 16th June, 1931

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND
Schedule of Assets as at 31st May, 1931

Securities	Rate of Int.		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	5½	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 5,400.00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	6¼	837.00	900.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5¼	5¼	5,000.00	5,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	4¾	4¾	1,000.00	1,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5	5	6,235.00	6,235.00
Barton, Township of.....	5½	5.20	2,089.20	2,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5¼	5¼	4,000.00	4,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5	5	2,500.00	2,500.00
Calgary, City of.....	4½	5	972.50	1,000.00
Durham, Town of.....	5	5½	1,439.71	1,528.43
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1,695.60	2,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	5½	5.20	1,023.80	1,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	5.20	1,072.90	1,000.00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4⅞	1,019.60	1,000.00
Lindsay, City of.....	6	5.40	1,045.40	1,000.00
N. Vancouver, Dist of	4½	4¾	2,880.60	3,000.00
National Trust Co.....	5	5	1,400.00	1,400.00
Owen Sound, City of.....	5	5.20	1,950.60	2,000.00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,971.42	4,787.92
Oshawa, City of.....	4½	4½	4,316.40	4,316.40
Ontario, Province of.....	6	5.40	1,606.05	1,500.00
Ottawa, City of.....	5	4.80	353.25	351.49
Peterborough, City of.....	4½	4½	1,319.25	1,319.25
St. Marys, Town of.....	4½	4.80	8,658.63	9,000.00
Shuniah, Municipality of	5	4⅞	1,015.90	1,000.00
Sault Ste. Marie, City of	5	4¾	1,862.64	1,800.00
Saskatoon, City of.....	5	5	7,000.00	7,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	4½	4.68	4,807.50	5,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	5½	6	943.00	1,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	6	5.35	272.82	258.11
Windsor, City of.....	5	5	7,488.00	7,478.67
Windsor, City of.....	5	5	3,000.00	3,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	5	5.20	984.60	1,000.00
York, Township of.....	6	6½	1,382.41	1,440.72
York, Township of.....	5½	5	4,130.40	4,000.00
East York, Township of	5	5.10	9,222.35	9,315.50
			\$104,896.53	\$105,531.49
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce..			\$ 2,993.60	
Less: Outstanding cheques.....			1,565.00	\$ 1,428.60
				\$106,960.09

The attached Schedule of Assets shows the amount to the Credit of Semi-Centennial Fund on the 31st day of May, 1931, and the sum invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the Debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited, certified to as being correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

Toronto, 16th June, 1931.

MEMORIAL FUND

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province
of Ontario.

I herewith submit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Memorial Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1931.

RECEIPTS

To Balance of Account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st May, 1930, after deducting outstanding cheques.....		\$ 37,821.96
Received from—		
I. S. Wardell Estate.....	\$ 2,148.25	
Refund on Purchase Peterborough Bonds.....	32.50	
Grand Secretary, from Lodges.....	46,673.17	
Gross Interest on Investments.....	15,693.63	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	231.40	
	<hr/>	64,778.95
		<hr/>
		\$102,600.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase of:—		
Forest Hill Debentures.....	\$ 14,676.00	
London Debentures.....	14,197.50	
Windsor Debentures.....	14,790.88	
Province of Ontario Debentures.....	9,486.00	
Etobicoke Debentures.....	13,437.98	
Peterborough Debentures.....	13,000.00	
Saskatoon Debentures.....	5,078.00	
	<hr/>	84,666.36
Accrued Interest purchased.....	757.19	
	<hr/>	85,423.55
Benevolent Orders.....	13,930.00	
Less: Cancelled, not required.....	690.00	
	<hr/>	13,240.00
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		98,663.55
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of Commerce 31st May, 1931.....	3,987.36	
Less: Outstanding cheques.....	50.00	
	<hr/>	3,937.36
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		\$102,600.91

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant, Auditor

Toronto, 16th June, 1931.

MEMORIAL FUND

Schedule of Assets at 31st May, 1931

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	5½	5½	\$ 30,120.00	\$ 30,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5	5	20,000.00	20,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5¼	5¼	10,000.00	10,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5	5	10,000.00	10,000.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	5¼	5¼	15,000.00	15,000.00
National Trust Co.	5	5	10,000.00	10,000.00
National Trust Co.	5¼	5¼	15,000.00	15,000.00
Canadian National Rys	5	5	14,000.00	14,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	2,006.76	1,953.81
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	2,291.05	2,226.27
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	3,093.00	3,000.00
Etobicoke, Township of	5½	5.15	2,909.65	2,816.97
Etobicoke, Township of	5	5	3,137.52	3,137.52
Forest Hill, Village of....	5	5.30	1,959.40	2,000.00
Forest Hill, Village of....	5	5.30	12,716.50	13,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	4½	5.30	9,679.00	10,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	4½	5.35	966.40	1,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	4½	5.35	8,697.60	9,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	5	5.02	19,932.00	20,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	4½	4.69	6,716.50	7,000.00
Hamilton, City of.....	4½	4.68	7,688.00	8,000.00
London, City of.....	4½	5.03	14,197.50	15,000.00
Ontario, Province of....	5½	5.29	25,965.00	25,000.00
Ontario, Province of....	5	5	11,000.00	11,000.00
Ontario, Province of....	4½	5	9,486.00	10,000.00
Peterborough, City of....	5	5	13,000.00	13,000.00
Saskatoon, City of.....	5	5	5,078.00	5,000.00
Toronto, City of.....	5	5.05	24,750.00	25,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	5	5.20	9,846.00	10,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	4½	5.20	2,844.00	3,000.00
Windsor, City of.....	5	5.20	6,946.88	7,051.24
Windsor, City of.....	5	5	5,000.00	5,000.00
			\$334,026.76	\$336,185.81

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 3,987.36	
Less: Outstanding cheques.....	50.00	\$ 3,937.36
		\$340,123.17

The attached Schedule of Assets shows the amount to the credit of Memorial Fund on the 31st day of May, 1931, and the sum invested with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation hold check keys of the rented box where the Debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited, certified to as being correct,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

Toronto, 16th June, 1931.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE IN ONTARIO

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A F. & A. M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing
an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the
Grand Treasurer, during the year ending the 31st
May, 1931.

The following statements are herewith submitted
viz.:

A Summary of receipts from various sources on
General Account; Details of Receipts on General
Account and Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1931;
a Summary of Receipts for the year; Details of Payments
to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure;
Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 31st May,
1931; a Summary of the Receipts and of Payments to
the Grand Treasurer on account of the Semi-Centennial
and Memorial Funds; and a Statement of the Receipts
and Disbursements on the Semi-Centennial and Mem-
orial Funds Revenue Account.

Details of Receipts of Grand Lodge on General Account and Ledger Balances, Year ending May 31st, 1931

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Amount	Balance Dr.	Cr.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	186.00	4.50	
3	Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston.....	433.50		
5	Sussex.....	Brockville.....	435.50	9.00	
6	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	392.50	.60	
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	247.50	8.25	
9	Union.....	Napanee.....	259.10	10.00	
10	Norfolk.....	Simcoe.....	276.50	10.50	
11	Moir.....	Belleville.....	474.75	6.00	
14	True Britons.....	Perth.....	212.00		
15	St. George's.....	St. Catharines.....	420.50	.50	
16	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	648.50	1.00	
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	307.50		
18	Prince Edward.....	Pictou.....	305.00		
20	St. John's.....	London.....	514.50	7.00	
21a	St. John's.....	Vankleek Hill.....	113.25		
22	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.....	454.00	3.50	
23	Richmond.....	Richmond Hill.....	166.50		
24	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.....	334.50		
25	Ionic.....	Toronto.....	319.00	6.00	
26	Ontario.....	Port Hope.....	200.50	2.00	
27	Strict Observance.....	Hamilton.....	283.50	250.00	
28	Mount Zion.....	Kemptville.....	118.50	1.00	
29	United.....	Brighton.....	181.80	1.10	
30	Composite.....	Whitby.....	222.50	3.00	
31	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville.....	261.50	6.00	
32	Amity.....	Dunnville.....	354.00		3.50
33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	265.25	3.00	
34	Thistle.....	Amherstburg.....	199.50		
35	St. John's.....	Cayuga.....	161.50		
37	King Hiram.....	Ingersoll.....	232.50		
38	Trent.....	Trenton.....	337.00		
39	Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.....	93.00	3.00	
40	St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	698.50	4.60	
41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	303.00	1.00	
42	St. George's.....	London.....	402.00		1.50
43	King Solomon.....	Woodstock.....	484.00		
44	St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas.....	508.50	2.50	
45	Brant.....	Brantford.....	541.00		
46	Wellington.....	Chatham.....	377.75	7.25	
47	Great Western.....	Windsor.....	870.00	13.40	
48	Madoc.....	Madoc.....	200.00		
50	Consecon.....	Consecon.....	102.00	1.00	
52	Dalhousie.....	Ottawa.....	316.50		.50
54	Vaughan.....	Maple.....	108.25		
55	Merrickville.....	Merrickville.....	116.50		
56	Victoria.....	Sarnia.....	374.50	7.00	
57	Harmony.....	Binbrook.....	184.00		2.00
58	Doric.....	Ottawa.....	435.00	1.00	
61	Acacia.....	Hamilton.....	984.00	3.00	

62	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia.....	158.50	10.50	
63	St. John's.....	Carleton Place....	281.00	4.00	
64	Kilwinning.....	London.....	476.20	4.00	
65	Rehoboam.....	Toronto.....	653.50		
66	Durham.....	Newcastle.....	113.00		
68	St. John's.....	Ingersoll.....	267.50		
69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	164.00	3.00	
72	Alma.....	Galt.....	261.50	4.00	
73	St. James'.....	St. Marys.....	177.00	1.00	
74	St. James'.....	South Augusta....	96.00		
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	264.75	3.00	
76	Oxford.....	Woodstock.....	364.00	2.00	
77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay.....	418.00		1.00
78	King Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	282.50		
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	127.20		
81	St. John's.....	Mount Brydges....	107.50		
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	226.00	9.50	
83	Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	182.00	2.00	
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	186.10	2.00	
85	Rising Sun.....	Athens.....	110.50	7.00	
86	Wilson.....	Toronto.....	414.50		
87	Markham Union	Markham.....	227.00	1.00	
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	251.50		
90	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	331.00	6.50	
91	Colborne.....	Colborne.....	160.00		
92	Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	487.50	1.00	
93	Northern Light	Kincardine.....	231.50		
94	St. Mark.....	Port Stanley.....	81.00	3.00	
96	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	388.25	13.65	
97	Sharon.....	Queensville.....	111.50		
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	87.50		
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	181.00	6.00	
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	384.50	3.00	
101	Corinthian.....	Peterborough.....	308.50	8.50	
103	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines....	414.00		
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	203.00	3.00	
105	St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	345.00	11.50	
106	Burford.....	Burford.....	155.00	.50	
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	133.00	2.00	
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	113.50		
109	Albion.....	Harrowsmith.....	181.00	1.00	
110	Central.....	Prescott.....	198.00		.50
113	Wilson.....	Waterford.....	192.00		
114	Hope.....	Port Hope.....	258.50	1.00	
115	Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	265.50	1.00	
116	Cassia.....	Thedford.....	81.00		
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	92.50		
119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	129.50		
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	79.50		
121	Doric.....	Brantford.....	589.50	4.50	
122	Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	183.00	12.50	
123	Belleville.....	Belleville.....	430.20		2.50
125	Cornwall.....	Cornwall.....	346.20		
126	Golden Rule.....	Campbellford.....	264.00	7.00	
127	Franck.....	Frankford.....	178.50	3.00	
128	Pembroke.....	Pembroke.....	242.50	3.50	

129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	174.50	
131	St. Lawrence.....	Southampton.....	147.00	.50
133	Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	176.00	
135	St. Clair.....	Milton.....	164.00	
136	Richardson.....	Stouffville.....	120.00	3.00
137	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	164.00	5.00
139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	349.00	.50
140	Malahide.....	Aylmer.....	159.50	3.50
141	Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	181.00	1.00
142	Excelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	115.00	
143	Friendly Brothers	Iroquois.....	166.00	.50
144	Tecumseh.....	Stratford.....	412.00	
145	J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	106.00	
146	Prince of Wales.....	Newburgh.....	92.00	5.00
147	Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	169.50	.50
148	Civil Service.....	Ottawa.....	451.50	
149	Erie.....	Port Dover.....	182.40	3.00
151	Grand River.....	Kitchener.....	450.00	1.25
153	Burns.....	Wyoming.....	133.50	
154	Irving.....	Lucan.....	147.00	1.00
155	Peterborough.....	Peterborough.....	391.50	1.00
156	York.....	Toronto.....	476.50	14.00
157	Simpson.....	Newboro.....	102.00	
158	Alexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	113.10	
159	Goodwood.....	Richmond.....	88.60	
161	Percy.....	Warkworth.....	165.50	3.00
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	75.00	
164	Star in the East.....	Wellington.....	146.00	
165	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	242.00	1.50
166	Wentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	339.50	
168	Merritt.....	Welland.....	294.50	
169	Macnab.....	Port Colborne	220.50	3.00
170	Britannia.....	Seaforth.....	152.00	1.00
171	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence Sta.	60.50	
172	Ayr.....	Ayr.....	104.00	
174	Walsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	146.60	
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	392.50	
178	Plattsville.....	Plattsville.....	85.00	
180	Speed.....	Guelph.....	400.50	7.00
181	Oriental.....	Port Burwell.....	103.50	16.50
184	Old Light.....	Lucknow.....	244.00	2.00
185	Enniskillen.....	York.....	68.50	.50
186	Plantagenet.....	Riceville.....	73.50	
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	128.00	
192	Orillia.....	Orillia.....	534.00	5.00
193	Scotland.....	Scotland.....	133.50	
194	Petrolia.....	Petrolia.....	228.20	7.00
195	Tuscan.....	London.....	301.00	
196	Madawaska.....	Arnprior.....	179.60	22.50
197	Saugéén.....	Walkerton.....	200.00	1.00
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.....	109.50	
201	Leeds.....	Gananoque.....	311.00	1.00
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	127.00	
205	New Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	58.80	
207	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	131.50	
209a	St. John's.....	London.....	542.00	8.00

209	Evergreen	Lanark	116.50		
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	108.50	60.00	
216	Harris	Orangeville	244.00		3.50
217	Frederick	Delhi	127.50		
218	Stevenson	Toronto	396.00	.60	
219	Credit	Georgetown	186.00		
220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	248.50		
221	Mountain	Thorold	357.50	6.00	
222	Marmora	Marmora	134.00	3.25	
223	Norwood	Norwood	112.00		
224	Zurich	Hensall	109.50		
225	Bernard	Listowel	282.00		
228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	144.50		
229	Ionic	Brampton	327.00	4.00	
230	Kerr	Barrie	377.25		2.00
231	Fidelity	Ottawa	448.00		26.00
232	Cameron	Dutton	115.00		
233	Doric	Parkhill	154.50	.50	
234	Beaver	Clarksburg	115.00		
235	Aldworth	Paisley	152.50		
236	Manitoba	Cookstown	175.00	1.00	
237	Vienna	Vienna	124.50		
238	Havelock	Watford	132.00		
239	Tweed	Tweed	172.50		
242	Macoy	Mallorytown	133.00		
243	St. George	St. George	105.00	1.00	
245	Tecumseh	Thamesville	149.50	1.00	
247	Ashlar	Toronto	433.00		7.00
249	Caledonian	Midland	303.50	5.00	
250	Thistle	Embro	149.50		
253	Minden	Kingston	384.50	12.00	
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	562.00	7.00	
255	Sydenham	Dresden	164.00		
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	134.50		6.50
257	Galt	Galt	329.50		
258	Guelph	Guelph	379.00	3.00	
259	Springfield	Springfield	202.00		3.50
260	Washington	Petrolia	244.50		
261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	71.00		
262	Harriston	Harriston	156.50		
263	Forest	Forest	183.60		
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	563.50	12.50	
265	Patterson	Thornhill	221.00	6.00	
266	Northern Light	Stayner	115.00		
267	Parthenon	Chatham	546.50		
268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	149.00	1.00	
269	Brougham Union	Claremount	131.00	1.00	
270	Cedar	Oshawa	390.50		
271	Wellington	Erin	138.00		
272	Seymour	Ancaster	214.75		
274	Kent	Blenheim	268.50		
276	Teeswater	Teeswater	123.00	1.00	
277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie	157.50		
279	New Hope	Hespeler	158.50	1.50	
282	Lorne	Glencoe	138.50	6.00	
283	Eureka	Belleville	364.50		

284	St. John's.....	Brussels.....	129.50	
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	219.00	.50
286	Wingham.....	Wingham.....	180.00	
287	Shuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	495.00	7.60
289	Doric.....	Lobo.....	147.50	
290	Leamington.....	Leamington.....	363.50	
291	Dufferin.....	West Flamboro..	128.50	
292	Robertson.....	King.....	90.00	
294	Moore.....	Courtright.....	107.00	1.00
295	Conestogo.....	Drayton.....	126.00	
296	Temple.....	St. Catharines ..	422.50	14.50
297	Preston.....	Preston.....	200.50	7.00
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	110.00	
300	Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale.....	80.50	
302	St. David.....	St. Thomas.....	526.00	
303	Blyth.....	Blyth.....	101.00	
304	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	272.00	1.00
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	248.50	2.00
306	Durham.....	Durham.....	168.70	
307	Arkona.....	Arkona.....	97.00	5.50
309	Morning Star.....	Carlow.....	95.00	1.00
311	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge.....	96.00	3.00
312	Pnyx.....	Wallaceburg.....	244.00	
313	Clementi.....	Lakefield.....	194.60	2.50
314	Blair.....	Palmerston.....	216.50	5.00
315	Clifford.....	Clifford.....	90.50	1.00
316	Doric.....	Toronto.....	537.20	8.00
318	Wilmot.....	Baden.....	43.50	1.00
319	Hiram.....	Hagersville.....	193.00	
320	Chesterville.....	Chesterville.....	134.00	
321	Walker.....	Acton.....	146.00	3.00
322	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	305.00	1.00
323	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	104.00	
324	Temple.....	Hamilton.....	601.00	7.30
325	Orono.....	Orono.....	100.50	
326	Zetland.....	Toronto.....	644.50	
327	Hammond.....	Wardsville.....	70.00	1.25
328	Ionic.....	Napier.....	53.50	
329	King Solomon.....	Jarvis.....	103.50	
330	Corinthian.....	London.....	343.50	.50
331	Fordwich.....	Fordwich.....	77.50	.50
332	Stratford.....	Stratford.....	386.00	9.00
333	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	173.00	1.00
334	Prince Arthur.....	Arthur.....	106.50	
336	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	140.00	1.00
337	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson.....	100.00	
338	Dufferin.....	Wellandport.....	50.00	43.50
339	Orient.....	Toronto.....	426.50	6.00
341	Bruce.....	Tiverton.....	81.00	1.00
343	Georgina.....	Toronto.....	473.00	
344	Merrill.....	Dorchester Sta. .	90.50	
345	Nilestown.....	Nilestown.....	135.50	
346	Occident.....	Toronto.....	536.70	1.00
347	Mercer.....	Fergus.....	142.50	
348	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene	125.00	
352	Granite.....	Parry Sound.....	311.50	

354	Brook	Cannington	97.00	
356	River Park	Streetsville	156.50	1.00
357	Waterdown	Millgrove	236.50	
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	99.50	
359	Vittoria	Vittoria	103.00	
360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	150.00	
361	Waverly	Guelph	496.00	4.00
362	Maple Leaf	Tara	101.00	7.00
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	79.50	
367	St. George	Toronto	506.50	3.00
368	Salem	Brockville	425.00	
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	311.00	7.00
370	Harmony	Delta	131.00	
371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	448.00	1.00
372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	250.00	
373	Copestone	Welland	284.50	
374	Keene	Keene	52.00	.50
375	Lorne	Omeme	139.00	1.00
376	Unity	Huntsville	196.00	6.00
377	Lorne	Shelburne	154.50	
378	King Solomon's	London	531.50	1.00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	76.00	
380	Union	London	384.00	3.60
382	Doric	Hamilton	553.50	
383	Henderson	Winchester	125.00	
384	Alpha	Toronto	642.75	7.00
385	Spry	Beeton	141.00	
386	McColl	West Lorne	184.00	1.00
387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	125.50	
388	Henderson	Ilderton	120.00	
389	Crystal Fountain	North August	116.50	6.00
390	Florence	Florence	94.00	1.00
391	Howard	Ridgetown	206.50	7.00
392	Huron	Camlachie	119.00	
393	Forest	Chesley	144.00	6.00
394	King Solomon	Thamesford	128.50	1.00
395	Parvaim	Comber	95.00	
396	Cedar	Warton	161.00	1.50
397	Leopold	Bridgen	117.75	.50
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	124.00	
399	Moffatt	Harrietsville	87.00	3.50
400	Oakville	Oakville	271.00	
401	Craig	Deseronto	146.50	4.30
402	Central	Essex	214.00	1.00
403	Windsor	Windsor	669.00	2.20
404	Lorne	Tamworth	109.50	
405	Mattawa	Mattawa	83.00	
406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	132.50	4.00
408	Murray	Beaverton	148.50	
409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	162.50	
410	Zeta	Toronto	508.25	1.00
411	Rodney	Rodney	129.00	4.00
412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	623.50	1.00
413	Naphtali	Tilbury	154.50	
414	Pequonga	Kenora	296.00	
415	Fort William	Fort William	468.00	

416	Lyn.....	Lyn.....	64.50	
417	Keewatin.....	Keewatin.....	127.00	1.00
418	Maxville.....	Maxville.....	119.00	
419	Liberty.....	Sarnia.....	183.50	
420	Nipissing.....	North Bay.....	422.00	16.00
421	Scott.....	Grand Valley.....	85.00	
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell.....	106.50	2.00
423	Strong.....	Sundridge.....	123.00	3.70
424	Doric.....	Pickering.....	89.00	1.00
425	St. Clair.....	Sombra.....	123.50	3.50
426	Stanley.....	Toronto.....	609.00	6.15
427	Nickel.....	Sudbury.....	441.50	5.00
428	Fidelity.....	Port Perry.....	173.50	4.25
429	Port Elgin.....	Port Elgin.....	127.50	8.00
430	Acacia.....	Toronto.....	347.60	
431	Moravian.....	Cargill.....	72.00	
432	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	152.10	
433	Bonnechere.....	Eganville.....	141.30	6.00
434	Algonquin.....	Emsdale.....	137.00	
435	Havelock.....	Havelock.....	179.50	
436	Burns.....	Hepworth.....	98.00	
437	Tuscan.....	Sarnia.....	561.00	9.50
438	Harmony.....	Toronto.....	463.50	1.00
439	Alexandria.....	Alexandria.....	96.00	
440	Arcadia.....	Minden.....	117.00	
441	Westport.....	Westport.....	103.50	1.00
442	Dymont.....	Thessalon.....	156.00	
443	Powassan.....	Powassan.....	154.10	
444	Netitis.....	Creemore.....	136.00	
445	Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora.....	151.30	6.00
446	Granite.....	Fort Francis.....	233.50	1.00
447	Sturgeon Falls.....	Sturgeon Falls ..	93.50	
448	Xenophon.....	Wheatley.....	101.50	
449	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	110.00	1.00
450	Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury.....	154.50	5.00
451	Somerville.....	Kinmount.....	79.50	1.00
452	Avonmore.....	Avonmore.....	93.50	1.50
453	Royal.....	Fort William	276.30	2.00
454	Corona.....	Burk's Falls.....	162.75	3.00
455	Doric.....	Little Current.....	119.50	4.00
456	Elma.....	Monkton.....	82.50	
457	Century.....	Merlin.....	162.00	2.20
458	Wales.....	Wales.....	140.00	
459	Cobden.....	Cobden.....	163.50	1.00
460	Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay.....	114.50	1.00
461	Ionic.....	Rainy River.....	152.50	1.15
462	Temiskaming.....	New Liskeard.....	188.00	
463	North Entrance.....	Haliburton.....	127.00	2.00
464	King Edward.....	Sunderland.....	117.00	
465	Carleton.....	Carp.....	120.00	
466	Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	138.80	3.00
467	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	93.00	
468	Peel.....	Caledon East.....	170.00	
469	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	397.50	2.00
470	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbor..	162.50	6.00

471	King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	132.50	1.00
472	Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....	130.00	
473	The Beaches.....	Toronto.....	350.00	
474	Victoria.....	Toronto.....	418.05	
475	Dundurn.....	Hamilton.....	693.50	
476	Corinthian.....	North Gower.....	97.50	
477	Harding.....	Woodville.....	86.00	6.00
478	Milverton.....	Milverton.....	117.00	4.00
479	Russell.....	Russell.....	151.70	
480	Williamsburg.....	Williamsburg.....	80.00	
481	Corinthian.....	Toronto.....	368.00	
482	Bancroft.....	Bancroft.....	188.00	6.00
483	Granton.....	Granton.....	84.00	3.00
484	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....	147.00	
485	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....	206.50	
486	Silver.....	Cobalt.....	449.00	.50
487	Penewobikong.....	Blind River.....	117.50	1.00
488	King Edward.....	Harrow.....	173.00	1.00
489	Osiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	201.50	6.00
490	Hiram.....	Markdale.....	64.20	
491	Cardinal.....	Cardinal.....	91.00	
492	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....	118.00	.50
493	St. Marys.....	St. Marys.....	235.50	3.00
494	Riverdale.....	Toronto.....	463.50	
495	Electric.....	Hamilton.....	590.00	7.00
496	University.....	Toronto.....	423.90	7.00
497	St. Andrew's.....	Arden.....	102.10	1.00
498	King George V.....	Coboconk.....	89.50	2.50
499	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	373.70	
500	Rose.....	Windsor.....	215.50	1.00
501	Connaught.....	Mimico.....	289.00	
502	Coronation.....	Smithville.....	139.00	3.00
503	Inwood.....	Inwood.....	120.50	4.00
504	Otter.....	Lombardy.....	74.50	
505	Lynden.....	Lynden.....	132.50	
506	Porcupine.....	Porcupine.....	173.00	
507	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	111.00	
508	Ozias.....	Brantford.....	298.50	6.00
509	Twin City.....	Kitchener.....	364.50	
510	Parkdale.....	Toronto.....	333.00	
511	Connaught.....	W. Fort William.....	175.50	3.50
512	Malone.....	Sutton.....	154.00	2.50
513	Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....	711.00	5.00
514	St. Alban's.....	Toronto.....	460.00	6.50
515	Reba.....	Brantford.....	313.50	4.00
516	Enterprise.....	Beachburg.....	127.50	4.60
517	Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....	98.00	
518	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	197.50	
519	Onondaga.....	Onondaga.....	96.00	
520	Coronati.....	Toronto.....	415.50	9.50
521	Ontario.....	Windsor.....	462.90	.50
522	Mount Sinai.....	Toronto.....	478.00	
523	Royal Arthur.....	Peterborough.....	213.00	17.00
524	Mississauga.....	Port Credit.....	212.10	
525	Temple.....	Toronto.....	351.50	1.00
526	Ionic.....	Westboro.....	313.50	

527	Espanola.....	Espanola.....	123.00	
528	Golden Beaver.....	Timmins.....	219.00	
529	Myra.....	Komoka.....	69.00	
530	Cochrane.....	Cochrane.....	176.50	26.00
531	High Park.....	Toronto.....	677.00	12.00
532	Canada.....	Toronto.....	394.00	
533	Shamrock.....	Toronto.....	292.50	
534	Englehart.....	Englehart.....	149.00	
535	Phoenix.....	Fonthill.....	111.50	1.20
536	Algonquin.....	Copper Cliff.....	164.00	3.00
537	Ulster.....	Toronto.....	741.50	2.00
538	Earl Kitchener.....	Port McNicol.....	75.50	
539	Waterloo.....	Waterloo.....	168.00	6.00
540	Abitibi.....	Iroquois Falls.....	174.50	
541	Tuscan.....	Toronto.....	496.00	5.00
542	Metropolitan.....	Toronto.....	212.00	6.00
543	Imperial.....	Toronto.....	281.00	7.00
544	Lincoln.....	Abingdon.....	85.00	
545	John Ross Rob'tson.....	Toronto.....	455.50	25.00
546	Talbot.....	St. Thomas.....	316.00	2.00
547	Victory.....	Toronto.....	121.50	2.00
548	General Mercer.....	Toronto.....	396.00	
549	Ionic.....	Hamilton.....	384.60	1.00
550	Buchanan.....	Hamilton.....	346.00	149.50
551	Tuscan.....	Hamilton.....	519.25	7.00
552	Queen City.....	Toronto.....	493.10	7.00
553	Oakwood.....	Toronto.....	277.00	3.00
554	Border Cities.....	Windsor.....	214.50	
555	Wardrope.....	Hamilton.....	451.50	7.50
556	Nation.....	Spencerville.....	97.50	
557	Finch.....	Finch.....	108.50	2.50
558	Sidney Albert Luke.....	Ottawa.....	214.00	6.00
559	Palestine.....	Toronto.....	188.00	11.00
560	St. Andrew's.....	Ottawa.....	326.50	8.20
561	Acacia.....	Westboro.....	174.50	
562	Hamilton.....	Hamilton.....	433.25	.50
563	Victory.....	Chatham.....	314.50	4.00
564	Ashlar.....	Ottawa.....	217.00	4.00
565	Kilwinning.....	Toronto.....	570.00	1.00
566	King Hiram.....	Toronto.....	221.50	2.00
567	St. Aidan's.....	Toronto.....	116.50	
568	Hullelt.....	Londesboro.....	54.50	3.00
569	Doric.....	Lakeside.....	68.00	
570	Dufferin.....	Toronto.....	416.00	9.00
571	Antiquity.....	Toronto.....	300.50	6.00
572	Mizpah.....	Toronto.....	433.20	6.00
573	Adoniram.....	Niagara Falls.....	221.00	
574	Craig.....	Ailsa Craig.....	86.00	
575	Fidelity.....	Toronto.....	233.50	2.50
576	Mimosa.....	Toronto.....	262.20	3.00
577	St. Clair.....	Toronto.....	293.00	2.00
578	Queens.....	Kingston.....	327.50	22.50
579	Harmony.....	Windsor.....	281.75	
580	Acacia.....	London.....	260.00	4.00
581	Harcourt.....	Toronto.....	83.50	
582	Sunnyside.....	Toronto.....	408.60	8.00

583	Transportation.....	Toronto.....	445.00	12.00
584	Kaministiquia.....	Fort William.....	142.00	15.00
585	Royal Edward.....	Kingston.....	145.50	
586	War Veterans.....	Toronto.....	313.10	9.00
587	Patricia.....	Toronto.....	269.10	1.00
588	National.....	Capreol.....	160.00	1.00
589	Grey.....	Toronto.....	218.00	2.00
590	Defenders.....	Ottawa.....	155.00	
591	North Gate.....	Toronto.....	255.00	14.00
592	Fairbank.....	Toronto.....	196.50	3.00
593	St. Andrews.....	Hamilton.....	539.00	3.00
594	Hillcrest.....	Hamilton.....	267.00	1.25
595	Rideau.....	Ottawa.....	242.50	
596	Martintown.....	Martintown.....	32.00	
597	Temple.....	London.....	202.00	1.00
598	Dominion.....	Windsor.....	153.00	4.10
599	Mount Dennis.....	Weston.....	235.00	2.00
600	Maple Leaf.....	Toronto.....	187.50	
601	St. Paul.....	Sarnia.....	187.00	
602	Hugh Murray.....	Hamilton.....	310.30	
603	Campbell.....	Campbellville.....	111.00	
604	Palace.....	Windsor.....	163.00	1.00
605	Melita.....	Toronto.....	208.50	2.00
606	Unity.....	Toronto.....	150.50	2.00
607	Golden Fleece.....	Toronto.....	77.50	77.50
608	Gothic.....	Lindsay.....	113.50	
609	Tavistock.....	Tavistock.....	72.50	
610	Ashlar.....	Byron.....	105.00	1.00
611	Huron-Bruce.....	Toronto.....	181.50	1.00
612	Birch Cliffe.....	Birch Cliffe.....	192.50	
613	Fort Erie.....	Fort Erie.....	127.00	3.00
614	Adanac.....	Merritton.....	111.00	
615	Dominion.....	Ridgeway.....	94.50	2.00
616	Perfection.....	St. Catharines.....	108.00	7.00
617	North Bay.....	North Bay.....	186.50	1.00
618	Thunder Bay.....	Port Arthur.....	150.50	4.40
619	Runnymede.....	Toronto.....	190.50	4.00
620	Bay of Quinte.....	Toronto.....	252.50	
621	Frontenac.....	Sharbot Lake.....	68.50	
622	Lorne.....	Chapleau.....	105.50	1.00
623	Doric.....	Kirkland Lake.....	220.00	2.00
624	Dreham.....	Mt. Elgin.....	88.00	1.00
625	Hatherly.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	63.00	7.00
626	Stamford.....	South End.....	119.00	6.00
627	Pelee.....	Scudder.....	74.50	
628	Glenrose.....	Elmira.....	55.00	1.00
629	Grenville.....	Toronto.....	229.00	7.50
630	Prince of Wales.....	Toronto.....	156.50	3.00
631	Manitou.....	Emo.....	98.00	6.00
632	Long Branch.....	Mimico.....	116.50	
633	Hastings.....	Hastings.....	91.50	
634	Delta.....	Toronto.....	233.00	
635	Wellington.....	Toronto.....	213.50	2.00
636	Hornepayne.....	Hornepayne.....	104.00	1.00
637	Caledonia.....	Toronto.....	439.00	
638	Bedford.....	Toronto.....	227.50	6.00

639	Beach.....	Burlington Beach	137.10	1.00
640	Anthony Sayer.....	Mimico.....	54.00	
641	Garden.....	Windsor.....	114.30	2.00
642	St. Andrews.....	Windsor.....	137.00	
643	Cathedral.....	Toronto.....	120.10	.30
644	Simcoe.....	Toronto.....	180.50	1.00
645	Lake Shore.....	Mimico.....	133.70	
646	Rowland.....	Mt. Albert.....	75.25	1.00
647	Todmorden.....	Todmorden.....	276.00	7.00
648	Spruce Falls.....	Kapuskasing.....	145.05	
649	Temple.....	Oshawa.....	183.00	6.00
650	Fidelity.....	Toledo.....	130.00	3.00
651	Dentonia.....	Toronto.....	231.70	14.00
652	Memorial.....	Toronto.....	414.00	
U.D.	Scarboro.....	Agincourt.....	78.00	1.00
U.D.	Ancient Landmarks	Hamilton.....	20.00	3.00

\$129,963.25

Sundries..... 2,918.10

Interest..... 20,439.42

Debentures matured..... 16,730.17

\$170,050.94

GENERAL ACCOUNT **SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS**

Year ended May 31st, 1931

Fees, Registration of Initiations.....	\$ 11,988.00
Fees, Registration of Affiliations.....	519.50
Dues.....	108,777.00
Certificates.....	81.00
Constitutions.....	1,973.00
Ceremonies.....	173.25
Dispensations.....	506.00
Commutations of Dues.....	5,388.00
Warrants.....	40.00
Musical Rituals.....	56.00
History	1,720.00
Refund Local Board of Relief, Brockville.....	90.00
Refund Grand Lodge Expenses Toronto 1930.....	636.50
Miscellaneous.....	933.10
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	\$132,881.35

Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:

Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	3,602.50
Landed Banking & Loan Company.....	262.50
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	1,790.00
Township of Barton.....	275.00
City of Brandon.....	100.00
City of Brantford.....	320.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	1,157.50
Dom. of Canada N. C. Equipment.....	75.00
City of Hamilton.....	279.00
Town of Kincardine.....	25.00
Province of Manitoba.....	385.00
City of New Westminster.....	250.00
National Trust Company.....	500.00
County of Oxford.....	75.48
City of Oshawa.....	500.00
City of Owen Sound.....	500.00
Province of Ontario.....	3,250.00
City of Peterborough.....	230.46
City of Port Arthur.....	50.00
City of St. Thomas.....	293.89
City of Stratford.....	45.00
Township of Sandwich.....	220.00
City of Toronto.....	1,565.00
City of Woodstock.....	275.00
City of Windsor.....	1,050.00
Township of York.....	300.00
Township of East York.....	100.00
Canadian National Railways.....	550.00
City of Saskatoon.....	500.00
Township of Etobicoke.....	550.00
Bank Interest.....	1,363.09
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	20,439.42

Total Revenue General Account..... \$153,320.77

Debentures matured and paid:—

Township of Barton.....	\$ 5,000.00	
Province of Ontario.....	10,000.00	
City of St. Thomas.....	1,730.17	
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		16,730.17
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		\$170,050.94

GENERAL ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Year ended May 31st, 1931.

E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer's Clerk, to March 31st, 1931.....	\$ 400.00
H. F. Vigeon, Auditor, Salary to March 31st, 1931.....	600.00
W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, Salary to May 31st, 1931.....	6,000.00
W. J. Attig, Chief Clerk, Salary to May 31st, 1931.....	3,150.00
F. J. Brown, Clerk, Salary to May 31st, 1931.....	1,800.00
Stenographer's Salary and retiring allow- ance.....	1,749.94
Helen M. Gardner, Stenographer, Salary to May 31st, 1931.....	150.00
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's Office.....	1,500.00
Printing, Stationery, etc.....	621.68
Constitutions.....	1,343.30
Certificates.....	47.07
Proceedings, 1930.....	3,173.12
Publication of History.....	2,631.35
Telephone Services.....	90.00
Insurance on Furniture, etc., and Bond Premiums.....	184.00
Safety Deposit Box Rentals.....	90.00
Office Rent.....	1,000.00
Postage on Proceedings.....	219.00
Postage, Chairman of Committees.....	120.00
Committee on Fraternal Correspondence Allowance to Grand Master 1930-31.....	400.00
	1,500.00
Stenographer for Grand Master.....	300.00
Allowance to Deputy Grand Master.....	300.00
Memorial Tributes.....	31.18
Expenses Grand Lodge Toronto, 1930. .	4,940.20
Honorary Presentation Jewels.....	525.16
Special Commissions.....	68.45
Grand Secretary Travelling Expenses.....	352.60
Extra Stenographer.....	65.00
Expenses Grand Master to Grand Lodge of British Columbia.....	300.00
Expenses J. A. Rowland to Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.....	83.95

Repairs to Regalia, etc.....	36.67	
U.S. and Canada Masonic Relief Association.....	285.59	
Portrait of M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone.....	1,101.40	
Presentation to Deputy Grand Master....	300.00	
Expenses Educational Committee.....	101.89	
Postage and Express on History.....	161.91	
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Inspector of Benevolence J. B. Nixon.....	\$1,200.00	
Supervisor of Benevolence, Thos Rowe ..	3,000.00	
Supervisor of Benevolence, Stenographer	150.00	
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		4,350.00
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		\$ 40,273.46
Debentures purchased.....		20,000.00
Accrued Interest		564.09
Benevolent Orders.....	101,795.00	
Less Grants cancelled.....	4,235.00	
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		97,560.00
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		\$158,397.55

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Summary of Receipts for the year ending May 31st, 1931

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Debentures matured:—

City of Windsor.....	\$ 1,386.33	
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association	100.00	
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		\$ 1,486.33

REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on Debenture and Bank Account		
as per Detailed Statement.....		5,438.58
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		\$ 6,924.91

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Revenue Account year ended May 31st, 1931

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS

Dominion of Canada War Loans.....	\$ 346.50
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	621.75
Township of Barton.....	110.00
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	335.00
Town of Durham.....	76.42
Town of Galt.....	80.00
City of Hamilton.....	115.00
Town of Kincardine.....	50.00
City of Kincardine.....	60.00
District of North Vancouver.....	135.00
National Trust Company.....	70.00

City of Owen Sound.....	100.00	
Town of Oakville.....	239.37	
City of Oshawa.....	194.24	
Province of Ontario.....	90.00	
City of Peterborough.....	59.36	
Town of St. Marys.....	405.00	
Municipality of Shuniah.....	50.00	
City of Sault Ste. Marie.....	90.00	
City of Toronto.....	280.00	
City of Windsor.....	658.76	
Township of York.....	306.44	
Township of East York.....	465.76	
City of Saskatoon.....	350.00	
City of Calgary.....	22.50	
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	6.00	
Bank Interest.....	121.48	
		<u>\$ 5,438.58</u>

MEMORIAL FUND

Summary of Receipts for the year ended May 31st, 1930.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Received from Lodges.....	\$285,584.45	
Miscellaneous.....	3,126.50	
		<u>\$288,710.95</u>

REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on Investments and Bank Account.....	\$ 6,062.11	
		<u>\$294,773.06</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Summary of Receipt for the year ended May 31st, 1931.

Received from Lodges.....	\$46,190.98	
Miscellaneous.....	2,662.94	
		<u>\$ 48,853.92</u>

REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on Investments and Bank Account as per De- tailed Statement.....	\$ 15,925.03	
		<u>\$ 64,778.95</u>
Total Receipts.....		<u>\$359,552.01</u>

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS

Revenue Account year ended May 31st, 1931

Dominion of Canada.....	\$ 1,650.00	
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	1,525.00	
Canada Permanent Trust Company.....	1,287.50	
National Trust Company.....	1,287.50	
City of Hamilton.....	2,575.00	
Province of Ontario.....	2,375.00	
City of Toronto.....	1,250.00	
Canadian National Railways.....	700.00	
City of Windsor.....	743.78	
City of London.....	675.00	
Village of Forest Hill.....	750.00	
City of Peterborough.....	325.00	
Township of Etobicoke.....	549.85	
Bank Interest.....	231.40	
		\$ 15,925.03



Grand Secretary

MEMORIAL FUND

Amounts contributed by each lodge to July 1st, 1931

ALGOMA DISTRICT

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
287-Shuniah.....	\$ 602.00	431-Moravian.....	122.50
414-Pequonga.....	420.00	432-Hanover.....	327.23
415-Fort William.....	800.00	436-Burns.....	220.00
417-Keewatin.....	144.00		<hr/>
445-Lake of the Woods.....	175.50		\$ 3,064.62
446-Granite.....	386.00		
453-Royal.....	701.00		
461-Ionic.....	15.00		
484-Golden Star....	374.00		
499-Port Arthur.....	353.42		
511-Connaught W.....	242.39		
518-Sioux Lookout.....	140.00		
584-Kaministiquia.....	327.00		
618-Thunder Bay..	267.21		
631-Manitou.....	66.00		
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	\$ 5,013.52		

CHATHAM DISTRICT

46-Wellington.....	\$ 450.00
245-Tecumseh.....	170.00
255-Sydenham	325.00
267-Parthenon	358.50
274-Kent.....	.....
282-Lorne.....	67.00
312-Pnyx.....	155.50
327-Hammond.....	77.30
336-Highgate.....	225.00
390-Florence.....	.....
391-Howard.....	96.00
422-Star of the East.....	107.25
457-Century.....	122.00
563-Victory.....	91.50
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	\$ 2,245.05

BRANT DISTRICT

35-St. Johns.....	\$ 290.00
45-Brant.....	1,179.17
82-St. Johns.....	483.00
106-Burford.....	349.50
113-Wilson.....	675.50
121-Doric.....	1,691.00
193-Scotland.....	186.75
243-St. George	478.00
319-Hiram.....	480.50
329-King Solomon.....	195.10
505-Lynden.....	260.00
508-Ozias.....	657.50
515-Reba.....	900.00
519-Onondaga.....	170.00
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	\$ 7996.02

EASTERN DISTRICT

21a-St. Johns	\$ 171.00
125-Cornwall.....	269.50
142-Excelsior.....	149.50
143-Friendly Brothers.....	173.00
186-Plantagenet....	100.00
207-Lancaster.....	.....
256-Farran's Pt.....	54.50
320-Chesterville....	190.00
383-Henderson.....	204.60
418-Maxville.....	.....
439-Alexandria.....	60.00
450-Hawkesbury ..	129.00
452-Avonmore	250.00
458-Wales.....	107.50
480-Williamsburg..	80.00
491-Cardinal.....	228.75
557-Finch.....	140.00
596-Martintown....	36.25
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	\$ 2343.60

BRUCE DISTRICT

131-St. Lawrence.....	307.50
197-Saugeen.....	406.31
235-Aldworth.....	340.00
262-Harriston.....	234.33
315-Clifford.....	195.00
362-Maple Leaf	104.00
393-Forest.....	310.25
396-Cedar.....	422.50
429-Port Elgin.....	75.00

FRONTENAC DISTRICT

3-Ancient St. Johns.....	\$ 820.00
9-Union.....	645.00

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
92-Cataraqui.....	464.10	449-Dundalk.....	230.50
109-Albion.....	430.00	490-Hiram.....	132.00
119-Maple Leaf.....	75.00		
146-Prince of Wales	114.00		\$4,320.15
157-Simpson.....	210.00	Miscellaneous	41.35
201-Leeds.....	764.50		
228-Prince Arthur	100.00		\$4,361.50
253-Minden.....	282.75		
299-Victoria.....	215.00		
404-Lorne.....	170.00		
441-Westport	32.00		
460-Rideau.....	190.00		
497-St. Andrew's ..	150.00		
578-Queen's.....	575.00		
585-Royal Edward	280.00		
621-Frontenac.....	50.00		
	\$5,567.35		

GEORGIAN DISTRICT

90-Manito.....	\$ 745.00
96-Corinthian.....	899.00
137-Pythagoras.....	138.10
192-Orillia.....	1,025.00
230-Kerr.....	745.00
234-Beaver.....	234.00
236-Manitoba.....	302.00
249-Caledonian.....	740.00
266-Northern Light	238.21
285-Seven Star ...	420.00
304-Minerva.....	382.00
348-Georgian.....	300.10
385-Spry.....	106.00
444-Nitetis.....	220.05
466-Coronation.....	158.50
467-Tottenham.....	178.00
470-Victoria.....	318.15
492-Karnak.....	219.00
538-Earl Kitchener	142.36
	\$7,510.47

GREY DISTRICT

88-St. George's....	\$ 600.00
200-St. Alban's.....	275.50
216-Harris.....	615.00
271-Wellington.....	200.00
306-Durham.....	318.00
322-North Star.....	940.00
333-Prince Arthur	352.15
334-Prince Arthur	175.00
377-Lorne.....	325.00
421-Scott.....	157.00

HAMILTON DISTRICT

6-Barton.....	\$ 1,893.50
7-Union.....	382.00
27-Strict Observance	2,299.87
40-St. John's.....	2,203.25
57-Harmony	727.00
61-Acacia.....	3,633.87
62-St. Andrew's ..	255.00
100-Valley.....	1,401.00
135-St. Clair.....	520.57
165-Burlington.....	480.75
166-Wentworth.....	694.00
185-Enniskillen.....	90.25
272-Seymour.....	266.89
291-Dufferin.....	237.50
324-Temple.....	2,165.00
357-Waterdown ...	575.00
382-Doric.....	1,996.75
400-Oakville.....	304.25
475-Dundurn.....	2,144.00
495-Electric.....	773.00
513-Corinthian.....	2,067.00
544-Lincoln.....	117.00
549-Ionic.....	1,074.70
550-Buchanan.....	216.00
551-Tuscan.....	1,449.33
555-Wardrobe.....	1,172.65
562-Hamilton	1,350.00
593-St. Andrew's	1,587.31
594-Hillcrest.....	644.00
602-Hugh Murray	773.00
603-Campbell.....	169.00
639-Beach.....	130.00
	\$ 33,783.44
Miscellaneous	617.71
	\$34,401.15

LONDON DISTRICT

20-St. John's.....	\$ 675.00
42-St. George's....	977.20
64-Kilwinning.....	1,395.00
107-St. Paul's.....	349.00
190-Belmont.....	215.00
195-Tuscan.....	1,500.00

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
209a-St. John's.....	1,120.00	614-Adanac.....	100.00
289-Doric.....	200.00	615-Dominion.....	313.00
300-Mount Olivet.....	58.00	616-Perfection.....	176.00
330-Corinthian.....	769.50	626-Stamford.....	108.00
344-Merrill.....	46.00		
345-Nilestown.....	115.00		7,158.65
358-Delaware Valley.....	10.00	Miscellaneous.....	45.25
378-King Solomon's.....	1000.00		
379-Middlesex.....	21.60		\$7,203.90
380-Union.....	1,590.00		
388-Henderson.....	212.00		
394-King Solomon.....	360.00		
399-Moffat.....	108.00		
529-Myra.....	207.50		
580-Acacia.....	658.50		
597-Temple.....	442.50		
610-Ashlar.....	324.00		
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	\$12,353.80		

MUSKOKA DISTRICT

352-Granite.....	\$ 600.00
360-Muskoka.....	325.00
376-Unity.....	401.00
409-Golden Rule.....	325.00
423-Strong.....	225.00
434-Algonquin.....	279.90
443-Powassan.....	250.00
454-Corona.....	300.00
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	\$2,705.90

NIAGARA DISTRICT

2-Niagara.....	\$ 169.96
15-St. George's.....	684.00
32-Amity.....	284.22
103-Maple Leaf.....	318.50
105-St. Mark's.....	340.00
115-Ivy.....	166.50
168-Merritt.....	600.00
169-Macnab.....	183.50
221-Mountain.....	210.00
254-Clifton.....	526.20
277-Seymour.....	169.27
296-Temple.....	730.00
337-Myrtle.....	210.00
338-Dufferin.....	81.00
372-Palmer.....	326.00
373-Copestone.....	308.00
471-King Ed. VII.....	394.00
502-Coronation.....	255.50
535-Phoenix.....	77.50
573-Adoniram.....	261.00
613-Fort Erie.....	166.50

NIPISSING DISTRICT

405-Mattawa.....	315.00
412-Keystone.....	556.00
420-Nipissing.....	1,100.00
427-Nickel.....	1,236.05
442-Dymont.....	229.50
447-Sturgeon Falls.....	135.00
455-Doric.....	104.00
469-Algoma.....	343.00
472-Gore Bay.....	361.73
487-Penewobikong.....	230.00
527-Espanola.....	222.75
536-Algonquin.....	367.47
588-National.....	242.00
617-North Bay.....	236.25
622-Lorne.....	185.50
625-Hatherly.....	121.50
636-Hornepayne.....	162.50
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	\$6,148.25

NORTH HURON DISTRICT

93-Northern Light.....	323.60
162-Forest.....	46.00
184-Old Light.....	375.00
225-Bernard.....	382.50
276-Teeswater.....	190.00
284-St. Johns.....	141.35
286-Wingham.....	203.00
303-Blyth.....	250.00
314-Blair.....	223.00
331-Fordwich.....	31.00
341-Bruce.....	84.00
568-Hullett.....	87.00
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	\$2,336.45

ONTARIO DISTRICT

17-St. John's.....	545.00
26-Ontario.....	305.00
30-Composite.....	544.00
31-Jerusalem.....	745.00
39-Mount Zion.....	211.00

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
66-Durham	159.00	161-Percy.....	166.00
91-Colborne.....	261.75	223-Norwood.....	250.00
114-Hope.....	219.35	313-Clementi.....	530.00
139-Lebanon.....	825.00	374-Keene.....	104.25
270-Cedar.....	962.48	435-Havelock.....	300.00
325-Orono.....	232.20	523-Royal Arthur..	517.50
428-Fidelity.....	204.85	633-Hastings.....	150.00
649-Temple.....	150.00		
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			\$4,154.50
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	\$5,364.63		

OTTAWA DISTRICT

52-Dalhousie.....	\$ 1,140.50
58-Doric.....	1,515.00
63-St. John's.....	316.00
122-Renfrew	145.00
128-Pembroke.....	147.00
147-Mississippi.....	278.00
148-Civil Service ..	1,409.25
159-Goodwood	24.00
177-The Builders	1,960.00
196-Madawaska....	160.64
231-Lodge of Fidelity	1,897.31
264-Chaudiere.....	1,250.00
371-Prince of Wales ..	618.50
433-Bonnechere	495.00
459-Cobden.....	260.50
465-Carleton.....	36.00
476-Corinthian.....	135.00
479-Russell.....	191.00
516-Enterprise	107.55
517-Hazeldean.....	124.50
526-Ionic.....	1,000.00
558-Sidney Albert Luke.....	1,053.70
560-St. Andrews....	270.50
561-Acacia.....	318.03
564-Ashlar.....	658.00
590-Defenders.....	350.50
595-Rideau.....	477.00
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	16,338.48
Miscellaneous	30.82
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	\$16,369.3

PETERBOROUGH
DISTRICT

101-Corinthian.....	\$ 615.25
126-Golden Rule....	316.50
145-J. B. Hall.....	205.00
155-Peterborough ..	1,000.00

PRINCE EDWARD
DISTRICT

11-Moira.....	\$1,236.38
18-Prince Edward ..	585.00
29-United.....	600.00
38-Trent.....	451.50
48-Madoc.....	200.00
50-Consecon	52.00
69-Stirling.....	426.00
123-Belleville.....	300.00
127-Frank.....	225.00
164-Star in the East	171.00
215-Lake.....	139.00
222-Marmora	396.00
239-Tweed.....	510.00
283-Eureka.....	500.00
401-Craig.....	161.00
482-Bancroft.....	157.00
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	\$6,109.88
Miscellaneous	450.00
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	\$6,559.88

SARNIA DISTRICT

56-Victoria.....	\$ 89.00
81-St. John.....	250.00
83-Beaver.....	482.50
116-Cassia.....	47.00
153-Burns.....	65.93
158-Alexandra.....	104.50
194-Petrolia.....	191.15
238-Havelock.....	192.00
260-Washington....	450.00
263-Forest.....	109.00
294-Moore.....	60.00
307-Arkona.....	81.50
323-Alvinston.....	99.00
328-Ionic.....	45.50
392-Huron.....	106.00
397-Leopold.....	47.50
419-Liberty.....	129.00
425-St. Clair.....	55.40

No.	Amount
437-Tuscan.....	187.00
503-Inwood.....	155.00
601-St. Paul.....	82.00

	3,028.98
Miscellaneous	50.00

\$3,078.98

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT

33-Maitland	\$ 785.35
73-St. James.....	305.00
84-Clinton.....	440.00
133-Lebanon Forest	423.15
141-Tudor.....	420.00
144-Tecumseh.....	1,004.66
154-Irving.....	200.00
170-Britannia.....	435.00
224-Zurich.....	193.50
233-Doric.....	320.00
309-Morning Star..	159.00
332-Stratford	586.00
456-Elma.....	189.00
478-Milverton.....	107.00
483-Granton.....	69.00
493-St. Mary's	216.50
574-Craig.....	138.00
609-Tavistock.....	153.65

\$6,144.81

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT

5-Sussex.....	\$1,600.00
14-True Britons	238.90
24-St. Francis.....	600.00
28-Mount Zion....	230.00
55-Merrickville....	158.00
74-St. James.....	180.00
85-Rising Sun.....	232.50
110-Central.....	390.90
209-Evergreen.....	244.50
242-Macoy.....	187.00
368-Salem.....	508.50
370-Harmony.....	225.75
387-Lansdowne.....	125.25
389-Crystal Foun- tain.....	.....
416-Lyn.....	42.25
489-Osiris.....	350.00
504-Otter.....	61.00
556-Nation.....	165.00
650-Fidelity.....	.....

\$5,539.55

No.	Amount
ST. THOMAS DISTRICT	

44-St. Thomas.....	\$ 456.50
94-St. Marks.....	199.00
120-Warren.....	132.00
140-Malahide.....	206.30
171-Prince of Wales	38.00
232-Cameron.....	181.00
302-St. Davids	125.75
364-Dufferin.....	70.00
386-McColl.....	85.50
411-Rodney.....	90.25
546-Talbot.....	135.00

\$1,719.30

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT

462-Temiskaming	\$ 500.00
485-Haileybury.....	650.00
486-Silver.....	384.00
506-Porcupine.....	355.00
507-Elk Lake.....	119.00
528-Golden Beaver	596.00
530-Cochrane.....	485.00
534-Englehart.....	228.50
540-Abitibi.....	396.00
623-Doric.....	450.00
648-Spruce Falls...	157.00

\$4,320.50

TORONTO DISTRICT

16-St. Andrews....	\$ 3,500.00
22-King Solomon	1,700.00
23-Richmond.....	450.00
25-Ionic.....	4,054.90
54-Vaughan.....	320.50
65-Rehoboam.....	5,611.10
75-St. John's.....	1,970.00
79-Simcoe.....	256.00
86-Wilson.....	2,764.42
87-Markham Union	281.00
97-Sharon.....	175.00
98-True Blue.....	180.00
99-Tuscan.....	582.00
118-Union.....	245.50
129-Rising Sun.....	513.55
136-Richardson.....	295.00
156-York.....	2,225.00
218-Stevenson.....	1,708.44
220-Zeredatha.....	356.35
229-Ionic.....	1,327.00
247-Ashlar.....	3,651.25
265-Patterson.....	266.00

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
269-Brougham Union	65.00	575-Fidelity.....	1,068.98
292-Robertson.....	266.30	576-Mimosa.....	1,011.10
305-Humber	1,600.00	577-St. Clair.....	1,100.00
311-Blackwood	500.00	581-Harcourt.....	3,000.00
316-Doric.....	1,798.00	582-Sunnyside.....	1,478.48
326-Zetland.....	3,512.94	583-Transportation..	1,200.00
339-Orient.....	1,849.50	586-War Veterans	1,439.50
343-Georgina.....	2,500.00	587-Patricia.....	1,165.00
346-Occident.....	1,875.00	589-Grey.....	815.00
354-Brock.....	200.00	591-North Gate.....	1,500.00
356-River Park.....	745.80	592-Fairbanks.....	610.00
367-St. George	1,850.00	599-Mt. Dennis	745.00
369-Mimico.....	1,506.50	600-Maple Leaf ...	697.41
384-Alpha.....	2,000.00	605-Melita.....	1,539.88
410-Zeta.....	1,800.00	606-Unity.....	450.00
424-Doric.....	412.00	607-Golden Fleece ..	525.15
426-Stanley.....	2,882.25	611-Huron-Bruce..	634.00
430-Acacia.....	1,600.00	612-Birch Cliff	650.00
438-Harmony.....	2,850.00	619-Runnymede....	1,200.00
464-King Edward..	90.00	620-Bay of Quinte ..	1,133.00
468-Peel.....	650.00	629-Grenville.....	700.00
473-Beaches	1,600.00	630-Prince of Wales ..	780.00
474-Victoria	1,185.00	632-Long Branch	425.00
481-Corinthian.....	1,559.50	634-Delta.....	830.00
494-Rivendale.....	2,400.00	635-Wellington.....	987.00
496-University.....	2,000.00	637-Caledonia.....	1,500.00
501-Connaught.....	766.25	638-Bedford.....	847.21
510-Parkdale.....	1,506.24	640-Anthony Sayer ..	425.00
512-Malone.....		643-Cathedral.....	429.95
514-St. Albans.....	2,738.00	644-Simcoe.....	733.00
520-Coronati.....	2,426.62	645-Lake Shore.....	327.73
522-Mt. Sinai.....	2,400.00	646-Rowland.....	187.00
524-Mississauga....	1,526.00	647-Todmorden	504.00
525-Temple.....	1,600.14	651-Dentonia	
531-High Park	6,125.00	652-Memorial.....	200.00
532-Canada.....	1,602.74	Scarboro.....	237.00
533-Shamrock.....	1,174.00		
537-Ulster	3,600.00		\$150,502.41
541-Tuscan	2,200.00	Miscellaneous	2,172.26
542-Metropolitan ..	670.00		
543-Imperial.....	1,100.00		\$152,674.67
545-John Ross Robertson	2,075.00		
547-Victory.....	832.73	VICTORIA DISTRICT	
548-General Mercer ..	1,500.00	77-Faithful	
552-Queen City.....	1,600.00	Brethren.....	\$ 750.00
553-Oakwood.....	1,000.00	268-Verulam.....	225.00
559-Palestine.....	1,300.00	375-Lorne.....	250.00
565-Kilwinning.....	4,125.00	398-Victoria.....	92.00
566-King Hiram....	703.00	406-Spry.....	139.00
567-St. Aidans	925.00	408-Murray.....	179.50
570-Dufferin.....	1,834.00	440-Arcadia.....	63.00
571-Antiquity.....	1,115.00	451-Somerville.....	200.00
572-Mizpah.....	1,248.50	463-N. Entrance....	96.50

No.	Amount	No.	Amount
477-Harding.....	200.00	149-Erie.....	67.00
498-King George V	207.00	174-Walsingham....	290.50
608-Gothic.....	80.00	178-Plattsville.....	158.00
		181-Oriental.....	210.00
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	\$2,482.00	237-Vienna	250.00
		250-Thistle.....	335.00

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

72-Alma.....	\$ 833.55
151-Grand River.....	1,850.00
172-Ayr.....	140.00
180-Speed.....	1,028.00
203-Irvine.....	576.00
205-New Dominion	30.00
219-Credit.....	518.70
257-Galt.....	917.50
258-Guelph.....	567.00
279-New Hope.....	737.50
295-Conestogo.....	186.50
297-Preston.....	481.15
318-Wilmot.....	183.45
321-Walker.....	341.00
347-Mercer.....	427.00
361-Waverley.....	1,512.21
509-Twin City.....	1,196.00
539-Waterloo	906.60
628-Glenrose.....	80.00
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	\$12,512.16

WILSON DISTRICT

10-Norfolk.....	\$ 375.00
37-King Hiram....	456.53
43-King Solomon's	1,092.33
68-St. John's.....	320.00
76-Oxford.....	587.00
78-King Hiram....	446.50
104-St. John's.....	531.00
108-Blenheim.....	36.00

WINDSOR DISTRICT

34-Thistle.....	\$ 300.00
41-St. George	120.00
47-Great Western	1,012.50
290-Leamington....	260.00
395-Parvaim.....	316.00
402-Central.....	215.00
403-Windsor.....	900.25
413-Naphtali.....	153.00
448-Xenophon	200.25
488-King Edward..	227.00
500-Rose.....	384.75
521-Ontario.....	701.13
554- Border Cities	547.50
579-Harmony.....	452.25
598-Dominion.....	300.00
604-Palace.....	285.25
627-Pelee.....	135.00
641-Garden.....	130.00
642-St. Andrew's ..	368.00
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	\$7,007.88

AUDITOR'S REPORT

16th June, 1931.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

I beg to report that I have completed the audit of the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, for the year ended 31st May, 1931, and submit for your approval the following Statements:—

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, General Account.

Detailed List of all Disbursements from General Account.

Schedule of Assets, General Account, as of 31st May, 1931.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Semi-Centennial Fund.

Schedule of Assets, Semi-Centennial Fund, as of 31st May, 1931.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Memorial Fund.

Schedule of Assets, Memorial Fund, as of 31st May, 1931.

I have verified all Cash Receipts and Disbursements during the year with the Bank Vouchers and Statements, and did personally inspect and examine all Securities covering the Investments of General Fund, Semi-Centennial Fund and the Memorial Fund, at the close of 31st May, 1931.

In accordance therewith, I have attached my Certificate to the Statements aforementioned.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

HARRY F. VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

Reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters

ALGOMA DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brother:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the conditions of Masonry in Algoma District for the present Masonic Year.

Being unable to attend Grand Lodge at Toronto, I felt that my Mother Lodge, Kaministiquia Lodge No. 584, as well as myself had been greatly honored when I received word that the honor of representing the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, in this district, had come to me. My warmest thanks and appreciation are extended to the lodges of this district for electing me to this high office, and also for the loyal support, kindness and courtesy that I received from the brethren throughout the district. It has helped to make the work more pleasant and agreeable, and my hope is that it has been as pleasant and profitable to the brethren as it has been to myself, and that the confidence in me has not been misplaced.

On September 16th I was installed by Rt. Wor. Bro. C. S. McCoomb, P.D.D.G.M., to whom I am indebted for kindly coming to Fort William and taking charge of the ceremonies. A large number of our own and visiting brethren were present. This was also the occasion of the annual visit of the Past Mas-

ters' Association to my Mother Lodge, Kaministiquia Lodge No. 584.

My first official duty was to appoint Wor. Bro. Francis LeGassick, of Kaministiquia Lodge, District Secretary and I wish to thank him for ready counsel and the willing and prompt way in which he performed his duties.

At a regular and well attended meeting of Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur, October 7th, on behalf of the Grand Lodge I presented to Rt. Wor. Bro. S. W. Ray of Shuniah Lodge a long service medal. Rt. Wor. Bro. Ray responded, giving a very interesting review of Masonry in Port Arthur for over a half century as a past master.

By direction of the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, I dedicated Manitou Lodge's new lodge rooms December 19th, 1930, at Emo, Ontario. I want to thank the Worshipful Brethren of Granite Lodge No. 446, Ionic Lodge No. 461, and Manitou Lodge No. 631, who so ably assisted me in the ceremonies, and I also wish to congratulate Manitou Lodge on having acquired such fine lodge rooms.

In addition to my official visits, I attended many Installations and the lodges appeared to be well-officered in every respect which should reflect the continued success of Masonry in the District.

In each of my official visits, I found the work in the various degrees to be done in a very uniform and satisfactory manner, and my reception was of a very hearty and cordial nature.

On March 2nd I officially visited Sioux Lookout Lodge No. 518, G.R.C., and was met by Wor. Bro. Gordon E. Lang, who had kindly reserved hotel accommodation for me. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. W. H. Green and received a hearty and cordial reception. The First degree was exemplified in a very dignified and efficient manner. The books are neatly

and well kept and the dues well paid up. These conditions could not be otherwise in the hands of such an efficient Secretary as Bro. D. R. Rorke.

On March 3rd I officially visited Shuniah Lodge No. 287 and was most cordially received by the Worshipful Master, James A. Wilson and his officers, at a large gathering of brethren and visiting brethren. The First degree was exemplified very efficiently. Shuniah Lodge is to be congratulated on the work of its officers. The books are neatly and well kept by V. Wor. Bro. A. P. Freed, that always smiling and tireless Secretary, who is always on hand to give advice and assistance. The spirit of good fellowship is always in evidence and to visit with them is a real pleasure.

March 4th was the date of my official visit to Royal Lodge No. 453, Fort William, Ontario. I was welcomed by Wor. Bro. F. F. Daglish in his usual friendly manner. Wor. Bro. Daglish and his officers conferred the First degree in a very impressive manner. The Secretary, Wor. Bro. R. Dagger, was only too ready and willing to show me the books, which are well kept and everything is in order.

March 5th, the official visit to Thunder Bay Lodge No. 618, Port Arthur, is one long to be remembered. This is the baby lodge of the district, and is a very healthy baby. I was welcomed by Wor. Bro. A. E. Chase and his staff of officers in a very cordial manner. The First degree was very efficiently conferred on a candidate. The excellent quality of the work and the friendly spirit and good fellowship which was everywhere in evidence made this visit a real pleasure. The books are well kept.

On March 9th I again visited in the City of Port Arthur, to Port Arthur Lodge No. 499. I was welcomed by Wor. Bro. Robert Wilson and his staff of officers in a most cordial manner. The meeting was well attended. I am not a stranger in any of the lodges in Port Arthur or Fort William and am fairly well acquainted with the uniformity of the work

which is done in a satisfactory manner. There being no degree work, lodge was raised to the third degree. The books are well and neatly kept; R.W. Bro. A. Rome was complimented by myself on his efficiency. The brethren of this lodge are real entertainers.

March 11th was the date of my official visit to the senior lodge in Fort William, the Fort William Lodge No. 415. I was given a hearty welcome by Wor. Bro. W. J. Strachan and his officers. There being no degree work, short addresses were given after the general business was disposed of. This was also the occasion of the annual visit of the Past Masters' Association of the Twin Ports to this Lodge. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are well kept. V.W. Bro. C. E. Coombes is a very able and thorough secretary. "Green" seemed to be the color to dominate the meeting.

On March 16th I paid my official visit to Connaught Lodge No. 511. I was received most cordially by W. Bro. W. T. Gough, his officers and members and visiting brethren. The meeting was well attended and the spirit of Masonry prevailed everywhere. The First degree was exemplified in a very satisfactory manner. The books are neatly and well kept and I congratulate Connaught Lodge on the election of W. Bro. E. C. Schoales as their secretary.

On March 17th I visited my Mother Lodge in my official capacity, and was welcomed home by W. Bro. A. E. Knibbs. The work for the evening was the exemplification of the Second degree which was done in a dignified and efficient manner. Kaministiquia Lodge No. 584 is next to the baby lodge in the district, but like its little baby sister, was born with the Masonic spirit and is a very healthy and robust lodge with a fine set of officers and a bright future. Bro. Barnsley, the secretary, has a very neatly and well kept set of books. The meeting was well attended.

Granite Lodge No. 446 was officially visited on April 7th and I was very cordially welcomed by W.

Bro. R. R. Collum and his staff of officers, to whom I was introduced by R.W. Bro. J. W. Walker. The First degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner. The meeting was well attended and the books are well and efficiently kept.

On Wednesday, April 8th, I made my official visit to Manitou Lodge No. 631 and received a hearty cordial welcome by the W. Master S. Giles and the members and visitors. The meeting was well attended, a goodly number of brethren from Granite and Rainy River Lodges being present, also brethren from International Falls across the Line. Our cousins from the south visit frequently in this part of the district. The Sublime degree was exemplified very efficiently. The books are well and neatly kept.

On April 9th I made an official visit to Ionic Lodge No. 461 on an emergent meeting, and received a very cordial welcome by W. Bro. M. McNeil, and his efficient staff of officers. The meeting was well attended. There being no work the lodge was raised the Sublime degree. The secretary was ready to show me the well kept records of the lodge.

On April 15th I made my official visit to Pequonga Lodge No. 414 at an emergent meeting and was given a cordial and hearty welcome by W. Bro. Thomas R. Bull, officers, members and visiting brethren. The First degree was exemplified in very good form, the work being well done. The books are in excellent shape under the guiding hand of Secretary W. Bro. Davis. The masonic spirit and good fellowship is everywhere in evidence.

Lake of the Woods Lodge No. 445 was officially visited on April 16th, when I was most cordially received and welcomed by an old friend, W. Bro. S. Richards, at an emergent meeting which was well attended by members and visiting brethren. The Third degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner and the lodge is to be congratulated on the efficiency of its officers. The books are well kept by the Secretary W. Bro. W. Boquist. A very keen interest is shown in the work of the lodge.

I made my official visit to Keewatin Lodge No. 417 on April 17th and was most cordially received by the Wor. Master R. M. Simonds and his officers at an emergent meeting which was well attended by members and visiting brethren. The Sublime degree was conferred on a candidate in a very dignified manner, and Keewatin lodge can well be proud of its officers. The books are well kept and the spirit of Masonry prevailed everywhere. Harmony is the key note of the meetings.

On April 28th I made my official visit to the Golden Star No. 484, Dryden, Ontario, at an emergent meeting and was most cordially received by Wor. Bro. F. O. Baker and his officers and brethren. There being no work the lodge was raised to the Third degree. Wor. Bro. A. E. Berry, the Secretary, was ready to have me examine his books which are well kept and in order. I want to thank the officers and members of Golden Star Lodge for their kindness and courtesy extended to me on this occasion. They had arranged a very interesting afternoon which was very much enjoyed.

In conclusion, I want to thank the brethren of all the lodges in the district. All have given me splendid support during the year, which I deeply appreciate. I thoroughly enjoyed the year's work and have tried to present to each lodge a Masonic message pointing out the importance of applying the principles of Masonry to daily life and I hope that I have been of some service to the Craft in this district. I know that my successor will receive the same loyal support that has been accorded me.

Fraternally submitted,

M. F. BEYER,

D.D.G.M. Algoma District.

BRANT DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit my report for the past Masonic year, on the condition of Masonry in Brant District.

It was with a deep feeling of responsibility that I assumed the important office of representative of the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master in Brant District, and I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the brethren of the district for the confidence they placed in me, and the honor they have conferred upon Brant Lodge No. 45, in electing me to that high office.

I have received the loyal support of the brethren of the district and I wish to thank the brethren who so kindly accompanied me on my official visits to the various lodges.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. H. A. Jull of Doric Lodge No. 121 as District Secretary, and our work together has been most pleasant and harmonious.

Wor. Bro. Jull has accompanied me on all my official inspections and on practically all my visits during my term of office. He examined the books and records of the lodges, and in every case found them to be well kept, and that the business in each lodge is well and promptly attended to. The secretaries and treasurers, upon whom so much depend, are faithful and painstaking in their respective duties.

It was my great privilege to officially inspect the fourteen lodges in Brant district, and to visit many of the lodges on occasions of especial interest.

The condition of Masonry as a whole in Brant district exceeded my expectations. The work, both routine and degree, in all the lodges was done in a most creditable manner. Much credit is due the Worshipful Masters and Officers for the manner in which they carry out the work, which is abundant proof that much time and careful study has been given by the various officers to the duties of their respective offices.

On December 29th, I had the honor of installing the four lodges in the city of Brantford, viz., Brant No. 45; Doric No. 121; Ozias No. 508 and Reba No. 515, it being a joint installation of the four lodges. I was assisted by an installing team composed of Grand Lodge officers, and on the following night, December 30, we journeyed to Burford and installed the officers of Burford Lodge No. 106. To these esteemed brethren I wish to extend my hearty thanks for their assistance.

The outstanding event of the year was the official visit to my Mother lodge. To this meeting all the lodges of the district were invited, and nearly all were represented. There was also present the Wor. Master, Past Masters and Officers of Patricia Lodge No. 587 Toronto, and the kindly interest of these Brethren was very much appreciated. We were also honored by the presence of R.W. Bro. Wackett, D.D.G.M. of Wellington District, accompanied by his secretary and a number of brethren from Kitchener.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation of the kind hospitality shown me by the lodges of the district, and also for the assistance and loyalty of the Past Grand Lodge Officers, Past Masters and brethren, and I trust that the same Masonic feeling will be extended to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN LEWIS,

D.D.G.M. Brant District.

BRUCE DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour and pleasure of submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Bruce District for the past Masonic year.

First of all permit me to express my sincere appreciation for the honour conferred upon me and my mother lodge namely Maple Leaf No. 362, Tara by the brethren of the District, in electing me District Deputy Grand Master and to thank the P.D.D.G.M's of the district, the Worshipful Masters and brethren of the district for the loyalty, assistance and hospitality given me throughout the year.

My first official duty was to appoint Bro. Oliver Geiger, of Maple Leaf Lodge No. 362, Tara, district secretary, who accompanied me on nearly all my official visits. He discharged his duties in such a manner as to merit the esteem and good will of every secretary and lodge in the district. I was also pleased to appoint Bro. the Rev. T. H. Inns, L.L.B., L. Th., Wiarton, District Chaplain.

On all my official visits I was accompanied by brethren of my mother lodge which added very much to the pleasure of discharging my duties throughout the year.

My first visit was to Clifford Lodge No. 315, Clifford, on Monday the 20th October, 1930. A terrific snow storm threatened to detain me at Harriston but a number of good brethren of Harriston Lodge came to my assistance and motored me to Clifford. This kindly act and their good fellowship was very much appreciated by me. Was introduced by W. Bro. A. Darroch and W. Bro. W. Fulton. The second degree was conferred on Bro. C. R. Stroh by the

Worshipful Master and his Wardens in a most capable manner. The books are well kept and the lodge rooms spacious.

My second visit was to Forest Lodge No. 393, Chesley, on the 6th Nov., 1930. I was introduced by W. Bro. McKinnon and W. Bro. Fischer. There was no degree work but the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a most efficient manner. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation to the Master and Wardens by W. Bro. Krug of new gavels made of wood which he brought home on his visit to the Holy Land. The books and vouchers were found to be well kept by the capable secretary, W. Bro. R. J. Gillies.

On Friday, Dec. 5th, 1930 I visited Hanover Lodge No. 432, Hanover. Was introduced by R.W. Bro. Armstrong and W. Bro. Mills. The third degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master, assisted by a number of Past Masters in a manner most creditable. The books were found in excellent condition as kept by the secretary, V.W. Bro. Magee.

On Tuesday, March 10th, 1931. I visited St. Lawrence Lodge No. 131, Southampton. Introduced by R.W. Bro. Scott and R.W. Bro. Burns. The Worshipful Master Bro. O. A. Martin, assisted by W. Bro. J. W. Burns, conferred the second degree in a most impressive manner. St. Lawrence Lodge is the oldest in the district and it was very pleasing to me to find that all the membership dues were paid up. This I believe is owing to the very efficient work of the Secretary, R.W. Bro. F. Goodier.

My mother lodge, Maple Leaf No. 362, Tara, received my official visit on Monday, March 30th, 1931. Was introduced by R.W. Bro. Jas. A. McDonald and W. Bro. R. I. Shannon. The work of the evening consisted of conferring the second degree, which was exemplified in a very satisfactory manner. As my son James is Master of the lodge and I assisted in the work I requested R.W. Bro. Jas. A. McDonald, to act as official critic. The books under the care of

the secretary, W. Bro. R. I. Shannon, are well and neatly kept.

On Thursday, April 30th, 1931, I visited Port Elgin Lodge No. 429. Was introduced by W. Bro. H. C. Campbell and W. Bro. Dr. J. E. Fraser. The attendance of members and visitors was most gratifying. W. Bro. D. Young and officers exemplified the first degree on a most promising candidate in a very impressive manner. The books under the care of W. Bro. H. C. Koebke are well kept.

On Tuesday, May 5th, 1931, I visited Cedar Lodge No. 396, Wiarton, accompanied by brethren from Hepworth, Paisley and Tara. R.W. Bro. S. E. Foster and V.W. Bro. J. Macaulay introduced me to the officers and members of the lodge. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. J. F. Currie in a very exemplary manner and the charge was given by R.W. Bro. S. E. Foster most impressively. The books are well kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. W. M. Newman. Cedar Lodge is the largest in the district, own their own premises and have exceptionally fine lodge rooms.

On May 11th, 1931, I visited Harriston Lodge No. 262, Harriston. W. Bros. Fawcett and Bruce introduced me to the officers and members of the lodge. The Worshipful Master, requested James Collins, W. M. of Maple Leaf Lodge No. 362, Tara, to confer the second degree which was exemplified in a most capable manner, after which the Worshipful Master resumed the gavel and carried on the work acceptably. I am indebted to R.W. Bro. Jas. A. McDonald who, at my request, acted as official critic. The lodge rooms are spacious and well equipped. The secretarial duties are most efficiently attended to by W. Bro. J. H. Fawcett.

I was greeted by a very large attendance on my official visit to Saugeen Lodge No. 197, Walkerton, on Tuesday May 12th, 1931. Many prominent Masons, including R.W. Bro. Dr. E. E. Bruce, D.D.G.M. of North Huron District; R.W. Bro.

MacPherson; R.W. Bro. Loughleen; R.W. Bro. Armstrong and V.W. Bro. Magee, were in attendance. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. C. T. Boss and V.W. Bro. S. W. Vogan. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. E. D. Cameron and his officers in a most efficient and impressive manner. It was my privilege and pleasure to present past master's jewels to 10 past masters of Saugeen Lodge, who in turn presented their individual framed photos to the lodge. The books of the secretary, R.W. Bro. C. T. Boss, are neatly and correctly kept. A banquet followed by a miscellaneous programme brought the evening to a very happy close.

On May 18th, 1931, I visited Moravian Lodge No. 431, Cargill. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Loughleen. There was no degree work but the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a manner creditable to the Worshipful Master and his officers. This lodge is the smallest in the district but has the distinction of owning the two storey building in which the lodge meetings are held. The lodge rooms, which are well equipped, are situated on the second floor while the lower floor is devoted to banquet hall and entertainment. Almost sufficient revenue is derived from rentals to pay the carrying charges on the mortgage indebtedness. The books were found to be in good order.

On Friday, May 22nd, 1931, I visited Burns Lodge No. 436, Hepworth, accompanied by brethren from Hanover, Kitchener, Paisley, Owen Sound, Tara, and Wiarton. Was introduced by R.W. Bro. W. P. Brooks and W. Bro. Good. There was no degree work but the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a most creditable manner. Burns lodge owns the two storey building in which the meetings are held. The lodge rooms are very comfortably furnished. The books and records are well kept by W. Bro. W. F. Brown.

My last official visit was to Aldworth Lodge No. 235, Paisley, on Friday, May 29th, 1931. The meeting was well attended by members and visitors. I was

introduced by R.W. Bro. S. F. Ballachey and W. Bro. J. A. Cumming. The first degree was conferred on a very promising candidate in a most impressive manner by W. Bro. Wm. G. Bain and his officers. This was followed by short snappy talks to the good of masonry in which members and visitors to the number of about twelve took part. The evening proved one of exceptional profit. The books and vouchers are well kept by the Secretary, Bro. T. R. McLennan.

I have made little reference to the many pleasant hours spent at the banquet tables but at each and every lodge I have been entertained with true masonic hospitality, while the addresses and entertainments have been of the very high order, quite in keeping with the dignity of masonry. The officers and members of each lodge were ideal hosts.

In my addresses to the various lodges in the district I particularly stressed that, while financial ability is a requisite it is not the essential, for masonry deals primarily in human values. It is real sterling and moral worth that gives to men that high standing to which they are entitled. The great danger is that masonry may become too popular and brethren and lodges of ardent but mistaken zeal may become too anxious for members. Members alone do not give strength to the Craft. When we admit others than those of men of character and intelligence, the standard of qualification is lowered and masonry suffers.

On May 15th, 1931, we were favoured by the attendance of the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, together with R.W. Bro. Logan, Grand Secretary, and a number of Grand Lodge officers, at a reception and banquet tendered in his honour by Bruce district. Tara was selected as being almost the most central point in the District and about 150 masons from all parts of the district greeted Most Worshipful Bro. Dargavel. The address of Masonry in general, delivered by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, was forceful and inspiring and proved an inspiration to all who were in attendance.

The humorous utterances interspersed throughout the remarks of our genial Grand Secretary were also a revelation of his wonderful personality.

In conclusion, I would again express my gratitude for the assistance and loyalty extended to me by the Past Grand Lodge Officers, Past Masters and brethren of the district, and trust that the same Masonic feeling will be extended to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

W. COLLINS,

D.D.G.M. Bruce District.

CHATHAM DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

In presenting my report on Masonry in Chatham district for the year now closing, I would like at the outset to express my appreciation of the unfailing kindness and courtesy extended to me by the officers and members of the lodges in the district throughout the year. It is this fraternal spirit of co-operation and helpfulness that has made the year one of real pleasure and induces a certain regret that it is so nearly finished.

Probably the outstanding event of the Masonic year in the district was the dedication of the new Masonic Hall at Chatham on January 15. The Masonic bodies of Chatham are now owners of a building fitted for their needs and with ample accommodation. The lodge room is particularly beautiful in its furnishings and decorative scheme. The ceremony of dedication was conducted by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and an expert staff of assistants.

My first official visit was to Sydenham Lodge No. 255, at Dresden, on the evening of October 1. Here I was cordially welcomed by W. Bro. J. E. Houston and his officers and most kindly treated by the members of the lodge. Sydenham lodge seems to be in a thriving condition. Housed in excellent quarters with ample room, and the secretarial work of the lodge, as shown by the books, is in capable hands. The lodge has had a fair amount of degree work throughout the year, and the officers have an enviable reputation for efficiency.

On Friday evening, October 3, I had the pleasure of witnessing the First degree as conferred by W. Bro. E. C. Guyitt, in Highgate Lodge No. 336. Highgate

has always had the reputation of conferring the degrees in an adequate manner and that reputation was well sustained on the occasion of my official visit. R.W. Bro. J. R. Macpherson is still the very efficient secretary and the affairs of the lodge are well looked after.

Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe. One cannot very easily forget such work as was exemplified by W. Bro. W. J. Ford on the evening of October 14. The First degree was worked, and from beginning to ending it moved with the precision of clockwork, with a snap that was a real pleasure to witness. Withal there was no loss of dignity or impressiveness. The work of the junior officers gives promise that the future of Lorne Lodge will be in safe hands. The lodge is in a prosperous condition, and the questions asked showed that real interest is taken by the Past Masters.

At Wardsville, on November 4, I had the pleasure of seeing Hammond Lodge, No. 327 exemplify the working of the Second degree. The work was very creditable indeed, the junior officers giving excellent support to W. Bro. Roy Henderson. Hammond Lodge is also fortunate in possessing a number of Past Masters who maintain their interest in the work of the Order.

My Mother Lodge, Howard No. 391, gave me a very pleasing reception on the occasion of my official visit on December 1. Many visitors were present from neighboring lodges and an elaborate banquet followed the business of the evening. The annual election of officers took place on this evening and there was therefore no degree work. I have had the opportunity however, of seeing the various degrees worked under the supervision of W. Bro. Smith and have no hesitation in saying that the work is well cared for. On the Sunday following my official visit Howard Lodge had the melancholy duty of conducting the burial service for R.W. Bro. J. A. C. Anderson, who died in Toronto on December 3. R.W. Bro. Anderson was Master of Howard Lodge in 1884, was later D.D.G.M. of the Old Erie District, and never lost his keen interest in Masonry to the close of his life of 83 years.

Florence Lodge No. 390. I visited Florence on December 5, and was very cordially received by W. Bro. Buchanan, the officers and members, and have very pleasant memories of the evening. As Florence Lodge, in common with others in the district, has suffered somewhat as a result of the prevailing business depression, there was no work available on this occasion, but my impression was that it would be well handled when the occasion arose. The lodge quarters are comfortable and roomy, and the books of the lodge are kept in good order by W. Bro. Jas. Beatty, who seems to be very firmly established in the affections of the brethren.

I made my duty visit to Century Lodge, Merlin, on Wednesday, March 4th. On a former visit in October, R.W. Bro. Keith of Windsor District was present accompanied by a degree team of past Grand Lodge officers from his district, when the visitors exemplified the work in a very able manner. On March 4, the Fellowcraft degree was creditably worked under very unfavorable circumstances. Century lodge now has enlarged and greatly improved quarters, and the books of the lodge are carefully and well kept by W. Bro. Johnson.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 245 was visited on March 16. The brethren at Thamesville have always had the reputation of knowing the work, and this reputation was well sustained in the manner in which the Fellowcraft degree was worked on this occasion by W. Bro. Williams and his staff. Following the work R.W. Bro. Ed. Worth entertained us with reminiscences of his official visits some thirty-odd years ago, when "the old grey mare" was a prominent feature of the transportation facilities. Tecumseh lodge seems to be in very good condition as evidenced by the well-kept books of the secretary, Bro. J. M. Coutts.

Victory Lodge No. 563, Chatham, was the particular object of my official pilgrimage on March 17, and I greatly appreciate the warmth of my reception, once more under the genial guidance of R.W. Bro. Ed. Worth. The third degree was conferred and W. Bro.

Arundell gave evidence that as W.M. he is worthily maintaining the reputation he built up as S.W., and in the old time before that. The degree was faultlessly conferred and the work of the junior officers was worthy of high praise. Bro. W. Scurr is secretary of Victory and the lodge is prospering. An inspiring talk, based on the Five Points, was given by Bro. Rev. A. S. H. Cree.

The Master Mason degree was the subject of work on the occasion of my visit to Kent Lodge No. 274 at Blenheim on March 30. It is somewhat monotonous to be repeating a set formula that the work in lodges is well done. It is a fact, however, that there is a uniformly high quality of degree work throughout Chatham District, and Kent Lodge is no exception to the rule. W. Bro. Murdock and his officers proved this on March 30. In their new secretary, W. Bro. C. H. Mooney, Kent lodge has an active and efficient officer.

At Bothwell, on April 1, Star of the East Lodge No. 422 exemplified the Third degree in a masterly manner under the direction of W. Bro. Leitch. The Bothwell brethren are working under some handicap because of the temporary nature of their present quarters. The affairs of the lodge, as handled by W. Bro. Jankinson, secretary, appear to be in good shape. In common with other lodges of the district the work has been influenced in quantity by the business depression.

Parthenon Lodge No. 267, Chatham, demonstrated their efficiency by working the Entered Apprentice degree on April 8, and no fault could be found with the work of W. Bro. Crowe and his officers. The Wardens and junior officers are well skilled and the indications are that Parthenon Lodge will be well served for some years to come. The affairs of the lodge are in good shape and V.W. Bro. J. G. Martin, the veteran secretary, knows all about that. The Past Masters of the lodge are noticeably proficient and a source of strength to the W.M. Where all are good it is, perhaps, hardly fair to

particularize, but the impressive manner in which W. Bro. R. G. Somerville gave the closing charge on this occasion will not be soon forgotten.

Of Wellington Lodge No. 46, which I visited on April 13, it is necessary to repeat the words of approval which I have found applicable to the work of so many lodges during the year. The first degree was worked on this occasion by W. Bro. Stewart and the officers of Wellington in a manner leaving nothing to be desired. One is always impressed by the beauty of the new Chatham lodge room, and this seems a fitting place to mention that this is largely due to the interest and work of W. Bro. M. J. Fultz, who was W.M. of Wellington Lodge last year while the work was in progress. I understand that the lodge has taken official cognizance of this fact by making W. Bro. Fultz a life member. Wellington lodge is the oldest lodge in the district, appearing on the first register of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and it shows no sign whatever of old age. W. Bro. W. J. McColl is secretary. Perhaps that is one reason why Wellington retains its youth.

Pnyx Lodge No. 312, Wallaceburg, received me very kindly on April 20. W. Bro. R. A. Carscallen is the active W.M. of Pnyx Lodge, and the manner in which he and his assistants conferred the Fellowcraft degree left a very favorable impression of the condition of affairs in the lodge. Pnyx lodge has very handsome and commodious quarters and the lodge is in a thriving condition. W. Bro. D. F. Johnson is the efficient secretary, and while it is not safe to prophesy I think it is safe to hazard a guess that W. Bro. Johnson will be heard from later.

I have visited most of the lodges at least twice during the year and have been impressed by the uniformly excellent condition of the work. All of the lodges have suffered somewhat in the matter of new applications and in collection of dues because of the existing business conditions. There is no feeling of gloom, however, and the general conditions are good.

The Past Masters' Association of the district has been doing good work this year in bringing the brethren of the various lodges together and so promoting the spirit of fraternal good will. A special feature in the carrying on of which R.W. Bro. J. A. McCallum, of Wellington, and W. Bro. Roy A. Boyes, of Victory lodge, have been particularly active, has been the visit to different lodges of a degree team made up of Past Masters of twelve different lodges. The personnel of the team is changed for each visit. These visits have been very effective in bringing together the members from different sections of the district, and partake somewhat of the nature of miniature lodges of instruction.

Throughout the year I have conducted an experiment on my own. Except where a speaker for the evening was arranged for by the lodge, I have given short talks on the symbolism of the particular degree worked on the evening of my official visit. These have been very well received, and I think I am justified in saying that there is a real desire on the part of the members of the Order for instruction in the more esoteric aspects of the degree work.

Fraternally submitted,

EDGAR V. BINGHAM,

D.D.G.M. Chatham District.

EASTERN DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario,

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

I feel deeply grateful for the honor of presenting for your consideration the report on Masonry in Eastern District.

I wish first to thank the officers and members of the various lodges for electing me unanimously to the important office of District Deputy Grand Master and for the courteous and royal way I was received on all my visits.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Frank E. Dafoe, District Secretary, and Bro. Rev. G. W. Thom, District Chaplain, and their assistance and advice have been a great support to me on all my visits and to them I extend my sincere appreciation.

I have visited all the lodges in the district and find masonry to be in a flourishing condition and am pleased to report that in every lodge the work is well done and presents a marked uniformity. The attendance at the lodges in almost every case was large and the Masters all did their work well. The secretaries are all very capable a number of them being Past District Deputy Grand Masters and all the lodges are most comfortably situated and nearly all the officers are young men.

My first official visit was to Lancaster Lodge No. 207 on Nov. 4th, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Frank T. Shaver, M.P., P.D.D.G.M. and a number of brethren of my own lodge. The Wor. Master opened and closed in the three degrees as there was no work to be done.

Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450 was visited on Nov. 6th. The officers showed great skill in opening and

closing in all three degrees, and exemplified the first degree in a very efficient manner. I wish to compliment the officers for the efficient work they did on that degree, especially the Junior Warden.

Alexandria Lodge No. 439 was visited on Nov. 11th. The third degree was exemplified in a most creditable manner. Alexandria Lodge is very fortunate in having an efficient secretary in W. Bro. Cheney.

Winchester Lodge No. 383 was visited on Nov. 14. Opened in the three degrees in a most efficient manner.

Dec. 27 I visited Cornwall Lodge. The officers were installed into their respective chairs in a very efficient manner by R.W. Bro. MacFarlane, and the second degree was exemplified very beautifully by the newly installed officers. Cornwall lodge is to be congratulated as their officers are all young men who take a great interest in their work.

On January 2 I visited Excelsior Lodge Morrisburg, where the installation ceremony was exemplified by R.W. Bro. Davy in a very pleasing and instructive manner after which the second degree was conferred in a very creditable manner by the newly installed officers. R. W. Bro. Davey makes a very capable secretary.

Wales Lodge was visited on March 30 where a very pleasant evening was spent. No degree work, but the opening and closing were done well.

On April 2 I visited Williamsburg Lodge where the officers opened and closed on the three degrees.

On April 9 I journeyed to Martintown. No degree work. Opened and closed in the three degrees. This lodge is small but they have the true Masonic spirit.

Maxville Lodge was visited on April 10 where I was pleased to see the good fellowship and Masonic spirit and also the three degrees opened and closed in a creditable manner by the officers.

On April 27 I visited Friendly Brothers, Iroquois, where the officers opened and closed the lodge very creditably and well. I was introduced by the oldest active Mason in Eastern District, V.W. Bro. David Fink, which I considered a great honor. Iroquois is to be congratulated on having such a wonderful secretary as H. Hamilton.

On April 28 I had the pleasure of visiting St. John's Lodge, Vankleek Hill. The lodge was opened and closed in a very creditable manner also was the Third degree exemplified.

On April 30 I visited Finch where there was a good attendance. The W. Master opened and closed in the three degrees and also exemplified the Third degree in a very able and effective manner.

On May 1st I visited Cardinal Lodge where the third degree was exemplified in a very distinguished and effective manner. Cardinal should be proud of having such a wonderful secretary as R.W. Bro. Kingston.

On May 18th I visited Chesterville Lodge. There being no degree work the officers opened and closed in the three degrees. Chesterville is to be congratulated on having such a good secretary as R.W. Bro. Hull.

On May 25 I journeyed to Riceville, there was no degree work but the officers exemplified portions of the different degrees without any hesitation, showing very careful preparation. Riceville Lodge is to be congratulated on having such an instructive and energetic member as R.W. Bro. Shepherd.

On May 26 I visited Avonmore. No degree work but the opening and closing were done well and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

On May 27 I visited my Mother Lodge Farran's Point Lodge, Aultsville and the meeting took the form of a Past District Deputys' Night. All the chairs

were filled by P.D.D.G.M's. The first degree was exemplified by all P.D.D.G.M's. At this meeting I had present my aged father V.W. Bro. S. Gove, age 84, who accompanied men on several of my visits also.

V.W. Bro. David Fink of Iroquois, aged 86, and also V.W. Bro. C. S. Ault, aged 70. It was a great treat to all to see these aged Masons present on this occasion.

In closing I should like once again to thank the members of Eastern District for electing me to this office the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, who we were all pleased to welcome to the town of Cornwall on May 18. I have tried to discharge my duties faithfully. It has indeed been a most pleasant experience and one to be long remembered in my Masonic career. I wish to thank the many brethren from my own lodge who accompanied me on all my several visits and also again I found it a great pleasure and honor to have my aged father at the age of 84 to accompany me on 10 of my visits, also R.W. Bro. F. T. Shaver, M.P., of my own lodge. I have been received loyally at each and every visit and shall ever cherish the cordial relations that I have had with each lodge and hope that my successor will have the same cordial welcome.

Fraternally submitted,

S. G. GOVE,

D.D.G.M. Eastern District.

FRONTENAC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

I have the honour to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Frontenac District for the year ending June 24th, 1931.

I wish to thank most sincerely the brethren of this district for the honour conferred on me and the trust reposed in me in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master. I have endeavoured earnestly to discharge the duties appertaining to this office zealously and to the best of my ability and so prove worthy of that honour. I am deeply grateful to the brethren throughout all the district for the kindness, cordiality and true goodfellowship with which I was everywhere received on my official visits and at all other times. These visits have been to me sources of unalloyed pleasure and masonic inspiration and I shall treasure always very deeply the memories of my year of office as D.D.G.M.

My first official act was to appoint as District Secretary W. Bro. L. T. Rutledge, an esteemed past master of Queen's Lodge.

I visited officially each of the lodges in the district. To my regret pressure of other duties prevented in nearly every case more than one visit but I look forward to renewing from time to time my happy associations with each lodge. I was gratified to witness a fine masonic spirit flourishing throughout the district. Such a spirit and the good fellowship which obviously prevails are worthy to be cherished and fostered in every way. On many of my visits I was greeted by attendances which frequently taxed the accommodation of the lodge rooms—attendances made up not only of members of the lodge visited but of

members of surrounding lodges. Other lodges favorably situated would do well to emulate these and not only promote visits of members from nearby lodges but in return stimulate their own members to visit other lodges more freely. In addition I should like to see a greater interchange of lodge visits among the lodges of the district.

In general the lodges continue to make suitable progress, are in good condition financially and are well-officered by keen active masons who are ably supported and encouraged by the past masters. The degree work that I had the privilege of seeing showed that in this district the ritual is effectively and accurately delivered. From time to time, however, it was evident that in some cases it would greatly improve the impressiveness of the work if various officers could rehearse under the kindly guidance of experienced past masters. Local conditions frequently make this extremely difficult to carry out.

My first visit was to Westport Lodge where I was received very cordially by a goodly number of the brethren. The Fellowcraft degree was conferred in an efficient manner on a well prepared candidate. The lodge maintains a slow, steady growth. Its books are capably kept by the secretary, Bro. J. D. Adams. I should like to have seen more of the Westport brethren visiting other lodges.

Accompanied by a considerable number of brethren from Kingston I was warmly welcomed by Leeds Lodge on Oct. 7. Their lodge-room is beautiful and must surely be a continual inspiration to excel in masonic work. The expected candidate was prevented from attending but the ceremony of the first degree was exemplified in a very capable manner by W. Bro. Stedman and his officers on a dummy candidate.

In order that I might make my visit before the colder weather, Frontenac Lodge kindly held an emergency meeting for that purpose on Oct. 17th. The night turned out to be wet and cold but not-

withstanding there was a good attendance. The candidate for the second degree was prevented at the last minute from attending but the lodge was opened and closed capably in the three degrees. In addition the Fellowcraft degree was exemplified on a dummy candidate. This is the youngest lodge in the district and the brethren are very comfortable in the new lodge room. The lodge exhibits a fine spirit of hospitality and is making steady progress.

On Oct. 27th assisted by R.W. Bros. E. S. Parrott and V.W. Bro. Higgins I had the pleasure of installing the W.M. and officers of Queen's Lodge.

On Oct. 31 accompanied by a large number of Kingston brethren I visited Albion Lodge, Harrow-smith where I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Boyce and V.W. Bro. Purcell. A very large attendance of members and visitors greeted me. The third degree was conferred in a most impressive manner by W. Bro. Stewart assisted by several of the past masters. An important part of the evenings programme was an address on "Symbolism" by W. Bro. P. G. C. Campbell.

Simpson Lodge, Newboro, was visited on Nov. 4. There was a very good attendance of members but I should like to have seen a larger number of visitors from neighboring lodges. Since there was no candidate the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. by W. Bro. Johnston, which was done in a very satisfactory manner. Simpson lodge has a number of keen and efficient past masters who have the interest of the lodge and masonry very much at heart who no doubt will assist the officers in guiding Simpson lodge through certain internal difficulties which at present trouble it.

The following night I visited Prince of Wales Lodge, Newburgh. Here, too, I was greeted by a very large attendance of members and visitors. The lodge occupies most pleasing quarters which have recently been redecorated. The W.M. opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees very capably. Various ritualistic points were discussed.

On Nov. 6 accompanied by a number of brethren from Kingston I journeyed to Victoria Lodge where I found the lodge room full to almost overflowing. I was introduced by the efficient secretary of Victoria Lodge, R.W. Bro. H. A. Carscallen, to whom I am indebted for many kindnesses during my year of office. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees very acceptably. Bro. F. P. Smith addressed the brethren in the lodge room on Symbolism of the First degree. His highly instructive address was rewarded by the rapt attention of the brethren.

Thanksgiving night I visited Prince Arthur Lodge and again was greeted in a crowded lodge room, the visitors knowing well the hospitality of Prince Arthur Lodge had come from far and near in such numbers that they greatly outnumbered the members of Prince Arthur Lodge present. I was introduced by my immediate predecessor in office, R.W. Bro. E. S. Parrott, the genial secretary of the lodge. Unfortunately the W.M. had sustained a few days prior to my visit a painful accident which prevented him from being present, but I saw him later take part ably in the conferring of a degree in Kingston. The I.P.M. and others impressed me as efficient and careful in their work.

On Feb. 9 I paid my official visit to Queen's Lodge which although not my mother lodge is the lodge with which I have been of late years most closely connected, having had in particular the honour of serving as W.M.W. Bro. W. N. Hyland, the Worshipful Master who kindly accompanied me on so many of my visits welcomed me very warmly and assisted by an excellent group of officers conferred the first degree with great acceptance to all present. Since its inauguration ten years ago Queen's Lodge has attracted to its portals many of the senior students of the university who are making excellent masons. In the nature of things these young men depart from the city on graduation and carry with them in most instances a keen interest in the fraternity which, it is hoped will show itself in active masonic work in the communities to which they have gone.

Royal Edward, the youngest of the Kingston lodges was visited on Feb. 27. The second degree was conferred in an able manner by the W.M. and his officers. This lodge which since its inception has been carefully and efficiently officered continues to make good progress and is a lodge where the best of goodfellowship is the predominant note.

My visit to Minden Lodge was paid on March 3 when I was introduced by V.W. Bro. Higgins and R.W. Bro. H. J. Milne, both of whom have rendered me gladly valued assistance and advice. The large attendance of members and visitors was a joy and inspiration. The evening was unique in the presentation by the Minden choir of two beautiful chairs matching the chair of the W.M. to adorn further the East and the presentation of P.M. jewels to four past masters of Minden lodge—W. Bros. Milne Graham, Ward and Mullin who have been active in the service of masonry in Minden Lodge. The first degree was conferred with the aid of the musical ritual. Seldom if ever have I heard the ceremony of the first degree more impressively delivered. Minden lodge is in a prosperous condition and has created in the past a reputation for friendliness which is being fully maintained by the present officers.

Two nights later I visited my mother lodge, The Ancient St. John's. While the attendance was somewhat disappointing the warmth of my welcome left nothing to be desired. The long established reputation of this lodge for accurate and impressive rendition of the ritual was maintained fully by W. Bro. Herrington and his officers.

On March 13 I visited Cataraqui Lodge and was greeted by many old masonic friends. For a lodge with so large a membership—the largest in the district, the attendance was below that which might fairly have been expected. The business of the lodge was carried on expeditiously by the W.M. who also demonstrated that the reputation of Cataraqui lodge for first class ritualistic work is in good hands.

The long trip from Kingston to St. Andrew's Lodge, Arden, on April 28 on which I was accompanied by R.W. Bro. C. A. Seager and W. Bro. Hyland was rewarded by the warmth of the welcome extended to me by W. Bro. Hayes and the members of St. Andrew's Lodge, as well by the many visitors, many of whom had come considerable distances. The first degree was conferred accurately by W. Bro. Hayes and his officers. St. Andrew's Lodge has a splendid reputation for hospitality and good-fellowship which was exemplified admirably on this occasion at the banquet table R.W. Bro. Seager spoke with eloquence to the masons and their wives and R.W. Bro. Barlow of Belleville addressed the large audience most interestingly.

On April 30 I was warmly welcomed in Rideau Lodge. Since there was no candidate available the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. I took the opportunity of commenting in an explanatory way on several features of the ritual. The lodge is well officered and some of the junior officers give promise of developing into very capable officers with experience.

Lorne Lodge was visited on May 1. I received an extremely cordial welcome. The lodge was opened and closed in a manner leaving nothing to be desired and although a degree was not conferred I am sure that the officers of Lorne Lodge are very proficient. In the hands of the secretary W. Bro. Adair the books of the lodge are looked after capably.

I was introduced on May 8 to a large crowd of members and visitors in Union Lodge by R.W. Bro. Fennell. The W.M., W. Bro. Barrett and his officers conferred the first degree on a very promising candidate and lived up most adequately to the long established and carefully maintained reputation of Union Lodge for impressive ritualistic work. The members of Union Lodge again displayed that hospitality for which they are noted.

My concluding visit was paid on May 11 to Maple Leaf Lodge, Bath, and although this lodge has but a moderate number of members this was the best attended of any of my official visits. The lodge room was completely filled; in fact many members and visitors were unable to gain admittance. The cordiality and warmth of my reception left nothing to be desired. The Worshipful Master and officers opened and closed in a most admirable manner, which gave sufficient indication of their ability in conferring degrees. The lodge is in a prosperous condition and the secretary, Bro. Young has its business affairs in good shape. Bath has a long masonic history and in Maple Leaf Lodge freemasonry flourishes.

My year of official duties was rounded out most satisfactorily and pleasingly by a splendid district meeting which taxed the accommodation of the Masonic Temple, Kingston. This meeting held May 19 was called on the suggestion of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education. We were greatly favored and honored on this occasion by the M.W. the Grand Master paying us an informal visit. He was accompanied by the Grand Secretary and R.W. Bros. W. J. Dunlop of Toronto, and McBride of Smiths Falls all of whom were welcomed most cordially. R.W. Bro. Dunlop explained generally the ideas of the G. L. Committee and he was followed by W. Bro. P. G. C. Campbell who spoke at length on "Allegory in Masonry" and Bro. F. P. Smith, Kingston, who gave an explanatory address on "Allegory in the First Degree". All of the speakers were followed with closest attention by the large audience. The Grand Master addressed the brethren briefly but eloquently and with inspiration. As an experiment in masonic education the meeting was considered to have been a decided success.

In conclusion I wish to express my thanks to the many brethren who from time to time accompanied me on my journeyings and rendered me much assistance and pleasure thereby. Whatever slight criticisms have been offered in the course of my visits have been given with the kindest feelings, and I trust received

in the same spirit. The cordiality with which I was received, the friendship that have been formed, the kindnesses and courtesies extended by the brethren all testify to the virility of Freemasonry in this district and I come to the close of my year of office with admiration for the work each lodge is endeavoring to do.

Fraternally submitted,

J. A. McRAE,

D.D.G.M. Frontenac District

GEORGIAN DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of submitting herewith my report as D.D.G.M. of Georgian District for the Past Masonic year.

It is my desire to take this opportunity of expressing my deep appreciation of the honor the brethren of the District conferred upon me in selecting me as representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master for the past year and also for the splendid support which was given me in all sections of the district upon the occasion of my official visits to the various lodges. I also wish to record my appreciation of the kindness and support of the past masters and brethren of Caledonian Lodge in accompanying me on so many of my visits. On no occasion did I visit any lodge in the district without being accompanied by some of the brethren of Caledonian Lodge and on several occasions the number who accompanied me was very numerous.

I appointed Worshipful Brother R. S. King of Caledonian Lodge, No. 249, and Wor. Bro. L. E. Gosselin of Victoria Lodge No. 470, as District Secretary and District Chaplain, respectively. These officers accompanied me on all of my official visits except one and it is my desire to record my deep appreciation of their support, encouragement and advice.

Before entering upon my official duties I had the pleasure of attending a special function in the district. On the Second of October the brethren of Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, were hosts to the officers and members of Unity Lodge of Toronto and the brethren of this lodge were accompanied by Rt.

Worshipful Brother William McTavish a member of Caledonian Lodge and the visit proved to be a very enjoyable occasion to all.

I commenced my official duties in Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston, on the 8th of December. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Skelton and his officers in a fitting manner. Although I had no previous acquaintanceship with any of the members of Seven Star Lodge I found the finest of fraternal feeling displayed and the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

On the 28th day of January I visited Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbor. On this occasion about forty members of Caledonian Lodge accompanied me and there were many visitors. The First degree was ably conferred by Wor. Bro. Stewart and his officers. The work of this lodge shows that the influence of Rt. Wor. Bro. Byron Brown is still felt. Although the closing of the mills has greatly affected this small village, the lodge continues to prosper, is in a strong financial position and gives every evidence of future success.

On the 5th of February was a very enjoyable occasion as I visited Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, on that date and had the opportunity of seeing Wor. Bro. Trustham and his officers confer the Fellowcraft degree in the usual excellent manner in which the work is done in this lodge. Penetanguishene and Midland being situated close together there has always been a very fine relationship between the brethren of Georgian and Caledonian lodges, and I was accompanied by a great many Past Masters and members of my own lodge on the occasion of this visit.

On the 5th of March Wor. Bro. Dalton White and his officers in Corinthian Lodge No. 96 Barrie exemplified the First degree in a faultless manner. A number of Past Masters assisted and Rt. Wor. Bro. Sprott gave evidence that he is still taking a great interest in the work of this lodge.

On the 19th of March I had the pleasure of again visiting in Barrie when Rt. Wor. Bro. Twiss and his officers of Kerr Lodge No. 230 exemplified the Entered Apprentice degree in a manner that left no room whatever for criticism.

The officers of both Barrie lodges are young men and the work is in extremely capable hands and in their new lodge quarters much is expected from Corinthian and Kerr lodges in the years to come.

On the 7th of April I had the pleasure of inspecting the work of Wor. Bro. Middleton and his officers in Earl Kitchener Lodge No. 538 at Port McNicoll. The work was well done.

On the 28th of April a very splendid meeting was held by Northern Light Lodge No. 266 at Stayner. At a meeting at four o'clock in the afternoon the Entered Apprentice degree was excellently exemplified by Wor. Bro. Caruthers and his officers.

On the 30th of April I visited Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford, where Worshipful Bro. Peacock and his officers conferred the First degree in an able manner and enjoyment was lent to the occasion by the presence of Rt. Wor. Bro. Hamill, a veteran Past Grand Lodge officer, and a member of Pythagoras Lodge.

On the 5th of May the officers and brethren of Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown, exemplified the First degree in a very satisfactory manner in spite of the fact that the evening was very warm and the lodge room crowded. Manitoba Lodge has established a enviable reputation for hospitality and visiting brethren were present in unusually large numbers on this occasion. Rt. Wor. Bro. Robinson continues to take a very active interest not only in Manitoba Lodge, but in the neighboring lodges of that part of the district.

On the 7th of May the unseasonable warmth also detracted somewhat from the pleasure of my visit to

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater, but in spite of the oppressive atmosphere the work of the Fellowcraft degree was well done by Wor. Bro. Robins and his officers.

On the 12th of May accompanied by V.W. Bro. Finlayson and a large number of Past Masters and members of Caledonian Lodge I visited Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood, where Worshipful Bro. Boadway and his officers exemplified the First degree in a peculiarly faultless manner. R.W. Bro. Whipps and R.W. Bro. Stephens are maintaining a keen supervision over the work in this lodge to its advantage. An address on Northern Ontario was delivered by V.W. Bro. Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests in the Ontario Cabinet.

May the 15th was the date of my visit to Orillia Lodge Number 192, Orillia. Wor. Bro. A. H. Tudhope and his officers conferred the First degree in a very dignified and impressive way. The work in this lodge is in excellent hands and with the guidance of R.W. Bros. W. H. Tudhope and C. G. Kirkpatrick and V.W. Bro. Boyle much can be expected from Orillia Lodge.

On the 20th of May in Spry Lodge No. 385 Beeton, Wor. Bro. Withers and his officers exemplified the first Master Mason degree which I had seen in the district. The work was well done and a most enjoyable evening was spent with the officers and members of Spry Lodge and the large number of visitors present.

Wor. Bro. Webb and his officers in Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud, are maintaining the record for excellent ritualistic work which this lodge has enjoyed. On the 26th of May I inspected the First degree as exemplified in this lodge and the work was done in a most satisfactory manner.

On the 29th of May I paid a visit to Nitetis Lodge No. 444, Creemore, and the work in the lodge room was completed in an acceptable manner.

A very enjoyable and profitable evening was spent in Tottenham Lodge No. 467, Tottenham, on the first of June. No degree work was engaged in but Wor. Bro. King, Wor. Bro. R. E. Preston and Wor. Bro. F. D. Campbell, Past Masters of Caledonian Lodge, who with others accompanied me on this occasion, exemplified a Board of Trial in which the brethren present were greatly interested and an hour was very profitably spent in a discussion of many matters pertaining to the work of the various degrees. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by Wor. Bro. Henderson and his officers and they gave evidence of being thoroughly familiar with their duties.

On the 5th of June Wor. Bro. W. B. McAuslan and his officers of Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg, conferred a third degree in my presence. The work was exceptionally well done and it is quite apparent that the affairs of Beaver Lodge are in good hands. A very large number of visitors from neighboring lodges were present on this occasion.

With the co-operation and assistance of the officers and Past Masters of Caledonian Lodge I arranged for a meeting in Caledonian Lodge on the 15th of June when the ruling masters of the various lodges in the district were invited to occupy the chairs and confer the second degree. This proved to be a most successful occasion. Fifteen of the Ruling masters of the district were present and the Second degree was most excellently exemplified and at the conclusion of the same Wor. Bro. R. E. Preston, Wor. Bro. Campbell and Bro. A. McGill of Caledonian Lodge demonstrated a Board of Trial. Over one hundred and fifty visitors signed the register and it was an outstanding event in Caledonian Lodge.

It is with great satisfaction that I am able to record the dedication of three new lodge rooms during my term of office, in each case the building being owned by the lodge.

On the 31st of March the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. Dargavel, R.W. Bro. Logan and other

Grand Lodge Officers performed the dedication ceremony in connection with the new quarters of Kerr and Corinthian Lodges in Barrie in a most solemn and dignified manner. The premises are most adequate and complete and fitted in every respect for the carrying on of the work by two such fine lodges as Kerr and Corinthian.

On the First of May it was my privilege on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to preside at the dedication of the new lodge quarters of Coronation Lodge No. 466 of Elmvale. The building which has been purchased by the brethren of Coronation Lodge provides them with very comfortable quarters as well as a banquet hall and the initiative shown by the brethren of a lodge in such a small community is indeed a matter of satisfaction.

It was a great personal gratification to me to conclude my work in the district by presiding over the dedication of the new lodge rooms of Earl Kitchener Lodge No. 538, Port McNicoll, on June 30th. The premises which have been provided by the officers and brethren of this lodge are outstanding in every way. The building is large and provides for a lodge room which is adequate for the demands which will be made upon it and there are also a large banquet room which accommodate the brethren on all occasions, a commodious kitchen and committee rooms. The whole premises have been re-built and re-decorated and are in excellent condition throughout and the lodge room is worthy of particular mention. The officers and members of this, the youngest lodge in the district, are to be highly congratulated upon the energy they have displayed in this fine piece of work and being intimately acquainted with so many of the members it was a great satisfaction to have the privilege of presiding at this dedication ceremony during my term of office.

The insight which I have gained into the condition of Masonry in Georgian District during my term of office leads me to state without hesitation that Masonry is in a flourishing condition in the district.

The officers of all the lodges are capable and I must refer particularly to the secretaries who in every case are doing their work with the utmost proficiency and are of great assistance to their various lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

G. S. DUDLEY,

D.D.G.M. Georgian District.

GREY DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

In submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in Grey District for the year 1930-31, I would like first to express my sincere appreciation to the brethren of the district for the honor of serving as their representative of the most Worshipful, the Grand Master.

The ties of friendship which I formed during the year I shall always cherish, remembering that, true happiness consists not in the multitude of friends, but in their worthwhile choice.

In my travels through the districts never did I meet unpleasantness or the slightest sign of lack of cordiality. All was harmony.

My first official duty was to appoint W. Bro. M. C. Crawford, District Secretary, and to him I tender my sincere thanks for his faithful service in that office. I also appointed W. Bro. R. P. D. Hurford, District Chaplain. He was most helpful in my official visits and district work and an anchor in the time of need. To the past D.D.G.M's of the district I am duly grateful, not only for their many kindnesses, but also for their willingness to render assistance whenever called. Grey District is indeed blest with energetic and active Past Grand Lodge Officers. For the Past Masters, Officers and Members of Lorne Lodge, I have nothing but praise. It was but to ask and receive. I will not enumerate them as the list would be too long, which speaks for itself. They were kindness personified.

On September 8th I dedicated the rooms of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton by direction of the Grand Master.

This work was new to me but with the assistance of the competent staff, the ceremony was completed in an impressive manner.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton. On October 9th I made my official visit to this lodge. Wor. Bro. Meade and his officers conferred the second degree. The work was truly done. This is one of the hardest working lodges in the district and the material is still coming. The members are hoping for larger quarters and are almost sure to realize it soon.

Durham Lodge No. 306, Durham. On October 15th I visited this lodge and was introduced by R.W. Bro. Grant and was received most heartily. Wor. Bro. McCallum and his officers exemplified the first degree in a splendid manner. They have a wonderful lodge room and banquet hall and own their own building. It is the envy of the district.

At this meeting Bro. Burt was presented with a suitable gift. Bro. Burt is one of the grand old men of Masonry being ninety-three years old and a Mason for fifty-five years, most of that time serving as steward.

St. Albans Lodge No. 200, Mount Forest. I visited here on October 31st. Wor. Bro. Argue and his officers in the absence of a candidate opened and closed in the three degrees very creditably. This lodge had been without an initiation for over a year but since then I am glad to report they are at work again. We had, however, an enjoyable and instructive evening.

Dundalk Lodge No. 449, Dundalk. On November 3rd I had the pleasure of visiting here. Wor. Bro. Sudden and his officers worked the second degree. This lodge, like most of the other lodges, in the district, has an efficient staff of Past Masters and Masonry is safe in their hands. The neighbouring lodges were well represented and all showed their interest by asking for information.

Wellington Lodge No. 271, Erin. On November 6th I visited this lodge and was introduced by R.W. Bro. Abbott. Wor. Bro. Dyer and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees.

In the absence of a candidate we again used the time for instruction and many points were threshed out. Wellington lodge is in good hands.

St. Georges Lodge No. 88 and North Star Lodge No. 322, Owen Sound. On February 11th I visited a combined meeting of these two lodges. Wor. Bro. Anderson and his officers exemplified the first degree and Wor. Bro. McInnes and his officers, the third degree, and their work, I must say, was the best in the district. I was introduced by R.W. Bros. Rutherford and Carson. At this meeting R.W. Bro. Carson presented a Grand Lodge regalia to V.W. Bro. Waugh. Both lodges are in good condition and worthy representatives of Masonry.

Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville. My first spring visit on April 7th was to this lodge, a very close neighbour. Wor. Bro. Fitzgerald and his officers conferred the second degree and as is always the case with Harris Lodge, their work was excellent.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 334, Arthur, visited here April 28th. Wor. Bro. Barton and his officers exemplified the Fellowcraft degree. This lodge has improved wonderfully and deserves great praise.

Scott Lodge No. 421, Grand Valley. I visited here May 4th, 1931. Wor. Bro. Divine and his officers exemplified the third degree in a very capable manner. Scott lodge has a very fine lodge room and are an energetic body of Masons. They are progressing rapidly. This was a highly successful gathering of Masons.

I was also able to be present at Scott Lodge at one of their special meetings. At this meeting all the officers were dentists and I am glad to say I was able to take part. This was one of the gala nights in the

history of Scott Lodge and these special nights stir up the interest of the members and are for the good of the lodge generally.

Hiram Lodge No. 490, Markdale. I visited here on May 14th, 1931, and was introduced by R.W. Bro. Colgan. Wor. Bro. Cooper and his officers worked an initiation very creditably. This was nearly their first degree work for over a year and they deserve praise for their effort. It has been an uphill fight but better times are hoped for.

Following the lodge work and at the banquet, the ladies of the members were guests. This was an innovation but it passed happily. All the lodges provided really sumptuous banquets and here, as elsewhere, good fellowship was the keynote.

Lorne Lodge No. 377, Shelburne. I visited here officially on May 22, 1931. At this meeting Wor. Bro. McLean allowed me to make it a night for instruction only. All the lodges in the district were asked to send Representatives and we had a gathering of over 100 Masons. It was a worthwhile meeting.

Wor. Bro. McLean has stirred up the interest in Lorne lodge by bringing in speakers who spoke on the topics of the day. We ended our year by our District Church Service at Shelburne on June 21, 1931. Wor. Bro. Hurford, District Chaplain, gave a really inspiring message.

In concluding my report I would like to speak a word of praise for the secretaries of the different lodges. It is a position of trust and hard work and Grey District has a very competent staff. May I again thank the brethren of my own lodge who accompanied me faithfully on all my journeys.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. ZINN,

D.D.G.M. Grey District.

HAMILTON DISTRICT "A"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with pleasure that I submit this encouraging report on my activities in District "A" during the past year.

I would like first to thank my secretary, Worshipful Brother John Weekes, for his untiring and faithful attention to every detail in connection with the office of District Secretary.

I am grateful to Wor. Brother, H. I. Sparks, the District Chaplain, the Past Grand Lodge Officers, the Past Masters, and Masters of the District for their loyal support.

I continued the practice of inviting a city lodge to visit a Rural lodge and vice versa. The city lodge supplying the banquet room entertainment in all cases. This undertaking is creating a most harmonious and friendly feeling in making friendships between the lodges that is producing a distinct benefit.

I feel, sir, that the lodges appreciate and value their connection with Grand Lodge. The large attendance at each of my visits in some measure expresses their enthusiasm for yourself and other officers of Grand Lodge.

I do not propose to detail our visits but would say that the Masters and Officers of the lodges generally do their work in a satisfactory and impressive manner. The large attendance of Past Masters are of material assistance to their Masters but as I have repeated on my visits care in the selection of Junior Stewards must be exercised for as in nearly every case in appointing the Junior Steward the ultimate Master

of the lodge is being selected. I impressed upon each lodge the report on the "Condition of Masonry", and I believe we shall reap the benefit in years to come. One observation I have made is that I believe that the dues of the city lodges are not sufficient to keep above the dangers referred to in the Committees' Report. The dues of the rural lodges are equal to that of the city lodges and in addition they do not have the overhead expenses, cost of notices, banquet room, and entertainments. I know of no other similar organization that has the same standard as the Masonic Lodge that has the annual dues as low as Hamilton.

It is certainly worthy of mention and commendation that Campbell Lodge of Campbellville has a large percentage of members attend their regular meetings and that they have no suspensions and no members in arrears of dues.

The Divine Service held in December last at Christ Church Cathedral under the auspices of the Barton Lodge No. 6, had the largest attendance of any Divine Service held in this district for many years.

One of the outstanding events was a reception to our beloved Grand Master on March 12th, and it was my privilege to introduce representatives of 15 out of 16 lodges in our district, which further demonstrates our loyalty to Grand Lodge, and our esteem and respect for yourself.

The Educational Night held on June 19th, under the auspices of the Lodge of Strict Observance, The Barton Lodge and St. John's Lodge, although held on a very warm evening was well attended. We are indebted to R.W. Bros. Dunlop, Macdonald, Alexander and Hopkins for a very instructive and inspiring explanation of the three degrees.

A most unusual and happy event occurred at St. Clair Lodge, Milton, a day before my visit. W. Bro. William Panton celebrated his 60th anniversary in Masonry and 53 years as Past Master. His father, was one of the founders of this fine Old Lodge.

I took the opportunity to refer to the Benevolent Work on each of my visits, and am happy to report that during the year a considerable sum has been added to the Masonic Benevolent Fund and that each of the city lodges have passed their quoto and the rural lodges have nobly responded. It is interesting and pleasing to report a large increase in the amount expended by the lodges on benevolence. Truly the N.E.A. has been firmly impressed on its officers and members and it is my earnest hope that it is not far distant, when every lodge will spend more on benevolence than they do on themselves.

I must commend the work of the Old and Honourable Institution, the Masonic Past Masters' Association of Hamilton Districts A and B. The 415 members presided over by a President and Executive are ever active in their service to Masonry in this district.

The Masters and Wardens Association, where Junior Wardens are introduced, Senior Wardens become acquainted, and Masters become true friends united in their efforts to serve their own and every lodge in the district is a real live organization. To both of these organizations, I express my appreciation for their services to the district.

In conclusion let me especially thank the Masters and Officers of my Mother Lodge, Temple Lodge and Tuscan Lodge for accompanying me on all my visits.

I have been identified with many organizations and activities, and I must say that the office of District Deputy Grand Master has been the most pleasant undertaking of any. It is my earnest desire that the many true friends (as Masonic friendships only can be) will live on in the years to come, and that at any time that I can repay with service, I shall consider it a privilege.

May I bespeak for my successor the same enthusiasm for our Noble and Ancient Craft in this harmonious Hamilton District A.

Your fraternally,

C. K. JUTTEN,
D.D.G.M. Hamilton District A.

HAMILTON DISTRICT "B"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada A.F. & A.M. in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren.

It is with mingled feelings of pleasure, just pride, and sincere gratitude, that I present to you, for your kindly perusal and consideration my Report of the above mentioned district for the past year.

It would be thoughtlessly remiss of me, were I to allow this opportunity of conveying to you, my unfeigned gratitude, for the honour and confidence bestowed upon me, when you, in your goodness, elected me to the exalted position, that I have feebly graced during the past year. For countless courtesies, thoughtful considerations, marked with extreme patience and forbearance, I am indeed your debtor. The only hope I have, of ever exemplifying my sense of gratitude is a vow—nay a passionate request and desire, that I shall always do all that I may be able to do, for the honour and continued glory of our Ancient Craft.

My term of office was made a joyful delight, by, and through the regal kindnesses of the officers and members of the various lodges.

It has been my happy privilege to visit all the lodges in the district.

I purposely avoided mentioning any particular name or names of brethren connected with the said lodges. Fearing, lest leaving unmentioned some brother who unknown to me, has sacrificed nobly for the welfare of his particular lodge. In the art of building, Corner or Foundation Stones command prominence, but all the stones and spallings of the wall are vital factors to the strength, nobility, and beauty of the edifice.

Concerning the respective lodges. From my observation, there can be no denying the fact, that a

splendid spirit of fraternalism pervades the whole atmosphere of the Craft in this our district.

We found that the books containing the various records are well kept, and jealously guarded. So mote it be.

In a few places we found that the lodge accommodation could be a little more spacious. However, it is better wisdom to suffer a little inconvenience on special occasions, than recklessly invest monies in erecting larger halls, and thereby perhaps, encumbering the members with financial burdens, that were not of absolute necessity.

In all my visitations it has been my one aim and ideal, to establish in the fullest sense the Ancient Tennents, High Ideals and Standards of the Craft through the medium of a series of addresses on "Our Ancient Landmarks."

It was, therefore, most encouraging to find that the ideal inculcated, has already found favour, and that it was one of my most cherished privileges, to institute on the 27th day of March, 1931, in the City of Hamilton, a lodge to be known as "Ancient Landmark Lodge."

For the better guarding of the standards of Masonry, I shall make bold to suggest a few matters some of which have already, in the days of yore, been pointed out.

Firstly: A strict surveillance of the candidate before he is admitted into the mysteries.

Secondly: Discourage the tendency to increase numerically the lodges, aiming for men of worth and character, rather than numbers. A thousand men of sterling worth, are far more formidable than an unruly horde of a million.

Thirdly: Wherever possible, the Master should strive and endeavour to have the lodge work completed before the midnight hour.

Fourthly: Restore to its former dignity the position of the lecturer. We would commend, that at the least, one lecture should be delivered each month, bearing on the Historic and Explanatory phases of Masonry.

Like all other phases of human life, the individual either adorns or mars the society wherein he moves. Napoleon uttered a great truism when he said: "Success is an individual affair."

No more are we operative in the sense that we build cathedrals and castles of stone, but I trust, that we are still building something that is far more lasting, if successful in moulding human character.

I end by quoting Leslie L. Cooke's ballad—"The Making of a King"

"Laddie with your box of bricks building castles high.

Just because they tumble down, don't you sit and cry;

Build a little cottage first, just a cosy nest;

Any king will tell you, that king of that is best.

"Laddie with your tearful eyes, building castles new.

As the years go rolling by, you will find it true, Kings would give for simple things, all the jewels they wear;

For palaces too often prove, just castles in the air.

"So don't you cry for castles lad, castles tumble down.

Dream about a golden heart, before a golden crown.

So be a man, and build again, and see what luck will bring.

For only in a man you'll find—the making of a king."

Gratefully do I acknowledge, the splendid work of W. Bro. Geo. A. Grassie, district secretary for his accurate chronicling of the various records, and the kindly offices of W. Bro. Rev. Griffin Thompson, district chaplain.

O. J. NEWELL,

D.D.G.M. Hamilton District "B"

LONDON DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

With a full sense of appreciation of the honour bestowed upon me and upon my mother lodge by the brethren of this district in electing me as their District Deputy Grand Master and with gratitude to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master in ratifying my election at Toronto, I take pleasure in submitting to you my report on the condition of Masonry in London District for the Masonic year that is now drawing to a close.

I am deeply indebted to the P.D.D.G.M's, the Past Masters, the Ruling Masters and brethren throughout the district for the advice, assistance and co-operation that they have given me and for which I express my hearty appreciation. To Worshipful Bros. A. B. Crawford whose services as District Secretary, are much appreciated, W. E. Cane and P. B. Fetterly Past Masters of my own lodge, I am especially grateful for their assistance. Wor. Bros. Crawford and Fetterly accompanied me, together with many other members on practically all my official visits and assisted me in many ways to discharge the duties of my office.

It afforded me a great deal of pleasure in getting together on November 18, twenty-one of the twenty-seven P.D.D.G.M's living in the district at an informal dinner at Hotel London after which we all attended a meeting of King Solomon's Lodge No. 378 and assisted the Worshipful Master and Brethren of this lodge and the brethren throughout the District to do honour to P.D.D.G.M. E. T. Essery who was leaving this District to reside in Toronto. It was a most memorable meeting and was representative of every lodge in this District which speaks very highly of the respect which all Masons who know him have for R.W. Bro. Essery.

Another outstanding function during the year was the reception tendered by the Brethren of the ten lodges in the City of London to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master R. B. Dargavel and Mrs. Dargavel on March 27th. The success of this event was due in no small measure to the efforts of Worshipful Bro. N. C. Hart as general chairman of the Committee and V.W. Bro. R. Booth as Secretary.

I have visited each of the twenty-three lodges in this district at least once and several of them on two or three occasions during the year.

It is not necessary for, nor will space permit me to deal separately with each lodge; suffice it to say that at every one of these meetings the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master was most courteously received and welcomed. The attendance at these meetings was exceedingly satisfactory, the work of the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Officers was uniformly of a high standard. The Officers were all conscientious and sincere in performing their duties, enthusiasm for Masonry was very marked and I feel sure that the officers and members of each lodge endeavour in their every-day life to work out and demonstrate to the world at large that Masonry can be, and is, a power for good in any community.

A few instances may point out how Masonry is flourishing in the district. On my inspection of my mother lodge every lodge in the district was well represented and I was well supported by fifteen past Grand Lodge officers. At Belmont Lodge No. 190 a real Masonic evening was spent when we were honoured by the presence of R.W. Bro. Keith, D.D. G.M. of Windsor District. At St. John's Lodge No. 20, of which I was a former member, fifteen of the twenty-three ruling Masters were present in person and this was immediately following the worst snow storm of the winter and the country roads were very badly blocked with snow. At Doric Lodge, Lobo, twenty-six lodges were represented. At Henderson Lodge, Ilderton, Rt. Wor. Bro. Pryde, D.D.G.M. of South Huron and myself were given a most cordial

reception by the members of that lodge and visiting brethren from twenty-three other lodges. At Moffatt Lodge, Harriestsville, twelve P.D.D.G.M's of this District were present and a most profitable evening was spent.

One degree was worked on the majority of these occasions and I was very favourably impressed with the appearance and class of men being initiated into our order. All together I can safely say that the work done in the various lodges is exceedingly gratifying and that Masonry is being maintained on a very high plane in London District.

Finally may I say that I consider that the Brethren in London District appreciate the high calling that is theirs and are really endeavoring to keep Masonry true to its mission which is for the improvement of the human race. In conclusion let me again express to the brethren throughout the district my most sincere thanks for the honour of serving them as D.D.G.M. and for the many acts of kindness and courtesy shown me during my term of office. The office has been to me a pleasure and an interest and if my services have been of benefit to Masonry in the District I am more than repaid. For my successor I respectfully bespeak the same true Masonic kindness that has been accorded me during the year.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

W. H. RATH,

D.D.G.M. London District.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is an honor and a pleasure to submit to you my report on the condition of Masonry, in the Muskoka district, for the Masonic year ending July, 1931.

First of all permit me to convey to my brethren of the district, my sincere appreciation for the high honor conferred upon me in electing me to this important and distinguished office, as representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

Our year of office has been blessed with harmony, prosperity and progress. I have endeavored in my imperfect way to give my opinion, to impart a steady influence and to encourage the spirit of Masonry. We have been honored during the year with the visits of many distinguished Masons, all of whom spoke in words of highest praise of the quality of the work done in the various lodges.

Immediately following the election in 1930 I appointed Wor. Bro. T. A. Mitchell, District Secretary, and Bro. Rev. Wm. Whitley, Chaplain. Bro. Mitchell has proved to be a most efficient district secretary, giving to me every help within his power, not sparing in time or effort to give his best to the district.

My first official visit was Algonquin Lodge No. 434, Emsdale, on October 7th. W. Bro. A. J. Butt, W. M. and his officers worked the second degree most creditably, the officers all have their work up well, the veteran secretary, R.W. Bro. J. H. Metcalf, and the Treasurer, R.W. Bro. A. W. Freeland, have the books of the lodge in excellent shape, and are a great strength to this lodge, the Past Masters are also taking a keen interest in the progress of the work.

Corona Lodge No. 454, Burks Falls—I visited this lodge on October 13th the attendance was splendid, W. Bro. S. O. Dukelow and his officers conferred the second degree in such a manner, as to merit praise, for Corona does excellent work.

Muskoka Lodge No. 360, Bracebridge. On Mar. 3rd I visited this lodge; in the absence of my District Secretary, I was accompanied by W. Bro. Hayward of Algonquin and Bro. W. Clarke of Corona, and received a most cordial reception. Many of the brethren live in Port Carling and other outside points, and were present at much personal inconvenience in the matter of transportation, roads being in very bad condition.

W. Bro. Johnston, W.M., and his splendid staff of officers assisted by Past Masters exemplified the third degree in a very commendable manner. V.W. Bro. W. G. Gerhart, secretary, and R.W. Bro. H. J. Bird, Past D.D.G.M., treasurer, are most active in their respective offices. On this occasion, on behalf of the brethren of Muskoka lodge I had the honor of presenting a Past Masters Jewel to W. Bro. Bates.

Unity Lodge, Huntsville—It was much like going home to visit my brethren at Unity Lodge, Huntsville, as I resided in that Town some years ago, and I claim many warm friends in Huntsville.

W. Bro. C. G. Shaw, W.M., is a young man of ability and is giving his best to the interest of his lodge. The work performed by the W.M. and his officers was most creditable. He has a "battery" of efficient Past Masters and the lodge is favored by having a regular attendance, of the Past D.D.G.M.'s W. Bro. O. Wieler, secretary, and W. Bro. G. F. Hutchison, treasurer, have their books in very fine condition.

Powassan Lodge No. 443, Powassan.—My visit to this lodge was made on April 10th. It was somewhat of a surprise, for me to see the magnificent new home of the brethren of Powassan Lodge, it was acquired

during the year and was opened just prior to the time I paid my official visit. It stands easily superior to many other lodge rooms in the district, in spacious grandeur and magnificent furnishings.

I was cordially received by W. Bro. Trenuoth, W. M., and his officers and by all the brethren present, the work of the evening was well exemplified by the Worshipful Master and his officers, assisted by a number of faithful Past Masters. R.W. Bro. L. G. O. Phillips, I.P.D.D.G.M. and Wor. Bro. Lake still remain firm and unshaken in their loyalty to their lodge, Bro. W. G. Porter, is an excellent secretary and treasurer, and has his books in perfect shape. V.W. Bro. Oldfield, one of the oldest Past Masters, gave us an outline of the organizing and history of the lodge in general.

Strong lodge No. 423, Sundridge. On April 20th it was, of course a special delight to have the privilege of paying an official visit to my mother lodge, Strong, where for many years I have mingled with the brethren and shared with them the responsibilities of the work. I was presented by two P.D.D.G.M.'s in the persons of R.W. Bro. A. M. Church and R.W. Bro. J. J. Wilson, and was received most cordially by the W.M. Bro. A. Cole, and his brethren. There being no degree work the lodge opened and closed in the three degrees, which was very ably and efficiently done. W. Bro. Gulley is an excellent secretary and his books are well kept.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst. I officially visited this lodge on May 11th, I was heartily received and royally entertained, a large attendance of brethren were present including a number from outside points, which shows that a very keen interest is being taken in the work. I witnessed the work of the second degree by W. Bro. W. M. Lambert, W.M., and his splendid staff of officers which was put on in a very impressive manner, which left nothing more to be desired.

The Past Masters, P.D.D.G.M.'s guided by the V.W. Bros Rev. Cannon Olman, and Sharpe, still continue to take a deep interest in the welfare of the lodge.

Wor. Bro. Butterworth secretary was unable through illness to be present, R.W. Bro. Clipsham has been filling this office and the books are in perfect shape. V.W. Bro. W. F. Wasley, treasurer, reports financial standing good.

Granite Lodge No. 352, Parry Sound. My official visit to this lodge was made on May 20th, I was accompanied on this occasion by a large number from Strong, Corona and Algonquin lodges. W. Bro. F. Smith, W.M., gave evidence of his serious applications to his duties, he has very promising and efficient officers, there is also a fine array of Past Masters, who are regularly in attendance. Granite has among its members many successful business men, who are rendering valuable assistance in the welfare of the lodge. W. Bro. J. D. Broughton, secretary, and W. Bro. C. E. Kenney have their books and accounts in good shape.

After the close of my official visits, the brethren of my Mother Lodge, Strong No. 423, Sundridge, very graciously tendered me a complimentary banquet, which was given on May 28th at South River (where many of the Strong brethren reside). There was a very large gathering of outside brethren from all over the district, in numbers far in excess of the anticipation of the hosts of the evening. Addresses of a very high order were delivered, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

As this is the first banquet of this kind ever held in Muskoka District, I deeply appreciate the high honor conferred upon me by the brethren of my Mother Lodge.

Space will not permit me to refer to the many acts of courtesy and co-operation extended to me by every lodge in Muskoka District.

My year of service as D.D.G.M. has broadened my view and increased my devotion to Masonry. I hope that I have served with honor to the craft and credit to myself, where I have erred may the broad mantle be spread.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES E BAILEY,

D.D.G.M. Muskoka District

NIAGARA DISTRICT "A"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have much pleasure in submitting my report regarding the condition of Freemasonry in Niagara District "A" for the past Masonic year.

Let me at once express my thanks to the brethren for having honored me with the office of D.D.G.M. and as well for the many kindly acts throughout the entire year, showing the respect which the brethren have for the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

Wor. Bro. G. W. Irvine I appointed District Secretary, and if my term of office has been in any way satisfactory to the lodges, it has been due in a great measure to the splendid aid and kindly advice which he was always ready to give, many times at considerable sacrifice of his own interests.

The division of this district has been a decided success. There is now plenty of time to visit the several lodges, and, as well, to enjoy many evenings of real Masonic Companionship which, heretofore, could not be considered.

My first official visit, November 3rd, was paid to Coronation Lodge No. 502, at Smithville.

The First degree was exemplified in a manner that was very creditable to Wor. Bro. Hutchison and his officers. There was a splendid attendance and everything indicated that the brethren of this lodge are keenly interested in all that relates to our beloved Order. The lodge property is a credit to the community. The dues are fairly well paid, and, with pleasure, I can say that Coronation Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Accompanied by a loyal group of Past Masters and brethren from my Mother Lodge I visited Dufferin Lodge No. 338 at Wellandport, on the night of December 2nd, and was warmly welcomed by W. Bro. Piper and the officers and brethren.

There was no degree work, but from the manner in which the lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees, I was convinced that there is no cause for worry as to the degree work. I was glad to note the presence of W. Bro. Holmes, a P.M. for fifty-six years.

In V.W. Bro. Lampman, Dufferin Lodge has a capable secretary. His books are well kept and dues are paid promptly. The brethren own the property and at the banquet, after the close of lodge, I was more than pleased to note the real Masonic spirit which exists, when at the mention of a distressed brother a creditable sum was raised for his immediate relief. The lodge is a credit to the district.

Tuesday, December 9th, and again in the company of R.W. Bro. Dakers and a large representation from many lodges, I visited St. George's Lodge No. 15, at St. Catharines, where I was received in a royal manner.

The First degree was conferred on a splendid candidate, and in a manner deserving of the highest commendation.

W. Bro. Darker and his officers take the right view of Masonry, and are very sincere in all that they undertake. St. George's lodge has a large membership and the secretary, Bro. Lindsay reports that the dues are fairly well paid. I was glad to note that the lodge members are doing everything possible to relieve the prevailing distress.

January 14th, accompanied by my secretary, W. Bro. Irvine, and W. Bro. Gilleland of Niagara Lodge, I visited Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville.

The weather was very severe, but the brethren in that section evidently enjoyed the low temperature, for there was a record attendance. Although only recently installed and invested, W. Bro. Camelford and his officers initiated a candidate in a very impressive manner which caused me to compliment them on their splendid work. The calibre of the newly initiated brother was also commendable, and it is a real pleasure to report Amity Lodge in a very prosperous condition. The lodge rooms are large and the appointments and furnishings are a credit to the Craft. The secretary's books are neatly kept and the dues well paid. A good attendance of Past Masters was evidence that the lodge work will be maintained at the high standard which prevails in this district.

On Tuesday evening, January 27th, 1931, together with the W.M. and a number of brethren of Niagara Lodge No. 2, my visit to Ivy Lodge No. 115, Beamsville, was paid. This is the home of R.W. Bro. Wilson, M.P.P., and we were given a cordial welcome.

I had the pleasure of seeing a bright young candidate installed into Freemasonry in a manner which merited the warmest commendation.

All the officers are very enthusiastic, and the large attendance, despite the fact that the weather was very bad, is certain evidence of the thriving condition of Ivy Lodge. Many Past Masters were present and the register shows that they are regular attendants. R.W. Bro. Wilson is always on hand to help along the good work. The secretary's work is excellent and the condition of Ivy Lodge is highly satisfactory. The entertainment provided after lodge closed was indeed a social success.

February 5th, together with the faithful of No. 2, and R.W. Bro. Dakers, I visited, officially, Adanac Lodge No. 614, and was welcomed in a hearty manner by the large attendance, composed of members of Adanac Lodge and visitors from Niagara Falls, Perfection, Temple, and Mountain Lodges.

The Second degree was conferred on a Rev. Bro., and the excellence of the work and the keen interest shown by the candidate brought forth well deserved praise from several visitors as well as myself.

Adanac Lodge has an energetic W.M. in W. Bro. Carmichael, and his work, as well as that of all the officers, is highly appreciated by all the members.

In Secretary W. Bro. Moffat the lodge has an efficient officer. His books are in first class order and dues are paid almost up to the minute. It is pleasant to report this young lodge active and prosperous. Their after lodge function, held in the basement of the Anglican Church, was a delightful affair.

I visited on February 11th, Seymour Lodge No. 277, Port Dalhousie. A very large attendance greeted me. Brethren were present from St. Catharines, Merriton, Niagara and Beamsville, as well as some brethren from across the line. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Johnson and was received royally. The Second degree was exemplified in a manner that gave evidence of the splendid interest which W. Bro. Scott and his officers take in Masonry. It was a pleasure to inspect the lodge books. Records are perfectly entered, arrears for dues are small, and it is my pleasant privilege to report this lodge in a prosperous condition.

A little talk was given on the Memorial Fund, and I believe that evidence will be forthcoming to show that the brethren were heeding the talk.

With several P.Ms., Officers and members of No. 2, I visited Temple Lodge No. 296, St. Catharines, on the evening of February 18th.

The W.M., W. Bro. Armstrong, had taken suddenly ill late in the afternoon, and W. Bro. Hoople, I.P.M., was in the East. A large attendance of Temple lodge members, augmented by visitors from surrounding lodges and several brethren from distant lands, made a record gathering.

As might be expected at the Mother Lodge of the P.D.D.G.M. I was splendidly welcomed and again, as in nearly all meetings throughout the district, I was admitted to the lodge immediately after the opening, which courtesy I very much appreciated.

The First degree was conferred on a fine young fellow and the work of the officers and P.Ms. taking part in the ceremony was fine indeed.

The books of the secretary, V.W. Bro. C. A. Brown, are very carefully and neatly kept, the dues are fairly well paid, and with R.W. Bro. Dakers always on hand and R.W. Bro. Dr. MacLean actively interested Temple Lodge is one of the outstanding lodges in this section of Ontario.

The Sick Committee is doing a noble work and deserves special mention. The social hour was at the same time entertaining and instructive.

I visited in my official capacity, Mountain Lodge No. 221, Thorold, on the night of March 12th. The very severe storm had made nearly all the roads impassable, and I had almost given up the thought of making the trip, but the splendid arrangements made by the Thorold brethren for the keeping of my party over night, if necessary, decided me to keep my date if at all possible. Fortunately the county snow plow came through and we were able to make the trip without much difficulty.

My secretary, W. Bro. Irvine, was storm bound, so W. Bros. Bishop and Slingerland and Bros. Watt and Hall of Niagara Lodge accompanied me. The brethren of Mountain lodge, of whom a large number were present, as well as numerous visitors, gave us a hearty fraternal welcome. A very fine type of man was initiated and the conferring of the degree was a real treat. Speaking briefly after the work I commended the manner in which the degree was exemplified and R.W. Bro. Dr. Gray made special mention of the J.W.'s lecture which was letter perfect and was

delivered in an impressive manner. Every part of the ceremony was well done and just what might be expected from a flourishing lodge.

In W. Bro. Mable, No. 221 has a very able secretary. Books and records are in A1 shape, and the dues are well under control. The Building and Property are owned by the lodge and I am pleased to report Mountain Lodge No. 221 very prosperous.

On the evening of April 13th, I officially visited Perfection Lodge No. 616, St. Catharines. Brethren were present from many outside lodges, and the members of Perfection turned out in goodly numbers. I was also greatly pleased to have with me R.W. Bro. Dakers, P.D.D.G.M. and R.W. Bro. Brodie D.D.G.M. of Niagara District "B".

I was cordially received by W. Bro. Hall and his officers. Two very fine candidates, one a clergyman, were passed to the Second degree, and the ceremony was a very creditable performance. This lodge is very active and its progress is in a great measure due to the enthusiasm of the I.P.M. W. Bro. Rose which interest is being well continued by W. Bro. Hull and all his officers. The lodge dues are well paid up, the Sick Committee is faithfully performing its many duties, and Perfection Lodge is in every way in a splendid condition.

I paid my official visit to Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103 St. Catharines, on April 30th, and as usual had a large number of my fellow members of Niagara No. 2 with me.

W. Bro. Dr. Somerville gave us a kind fraternal welcome. This lodge is known for its very fine meetings, and April 30th was in keeping with this reputation. I must note the absence of R.W. Bro. Dakers, whose attendance at nearly all of my official visits has been a splendid help, and I very much appreciate his kindness.

W. Bro. Somerville and his officers initiated a candidate into the mysteries and privileges of Free Masonry in an impressive manner, showing that the present officers are maintaining the high standard of work which is characteristic of this large, well-established lodge.

I cannot pass without paying tribute to the work of the secretary, W. Bro. A. E. Coombs. His books and lodge records are perfection, and on nearly every summons he has a short exhortation that is always inspiring, and I hope he will long be spared to give his valuable aid to the Order. Maple Leaf lodge is highly prosperous, and the spirit of co-operation which exists, and which is contributing so much to its success, is very commendable.

May 27th I shall never forget. This was my official visit to my own lodge, Niagara No. 2. W. Bro. Dawson, the W.M., paid his respects to the G.M. in his usual cordial manner, and a few well chosen words expressed pleasure in extending greetings from the oldest lodge to the Grand Master, through a member of Niagara No. 2.

The Third degree was exemplified in a manner that deserves mention, but I am leaving to my successor the pleasure of reporting to Grand Lodge on the class of Degree Work done by this lodge, which in July of this year is celebrating its 139th year of existence.

The secretary, W. Bro. Bishop, is efficient and energetic. The P.Ms. are regular attendants and always willing to assist. The officers and members endeavour, I believe, to keep in mind the splendid heritage which is theirs, and to practise what our beautiful lectures teach us. Niagara Lodge does not increase in number rapidly but the growth is constant. and the calibre of the men admitted is beyond question.

And now with my term of office drawing to a close, I must again thank the brethren for the high honor accorded me by election to this splendid office.

My thanks are due particularly to those P.Ms. and brethren who have so often accompanied me on my visits. To R.W. Bro. Dakers I owe a real debt of gratitude. Ever ready to advise and always willing to assist in any way, he has been a real P.D.D.G.M., and may the G.A.O.T.U. be pleased to spare him for many years more.

The brethren of the district are working in the utmost harmony, interchange of lodge visits are frequent, the work is uniformly and particularly well done, the sick and needy are receiving benefits and blessings which only Masons can bestow and everywhere and always, no matter how often I have visited the lodges, the brethren have given, through me, respect and honor to the M.W. the Grand Master.

May I bespeak for my successor, whosoever he may be, the same courteous Masonic kindness which has always been so freely shown me.

Yours Sincerely and Fraternally,

J. H. BROWN,

D.D.G.M. Niagara District "A"

NIAGARA DISTRICT "B"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of presenting herewith my report of the condition of Masonry in Niagara "B" district for the past Masonic year.

Before proceeding, however, I desire to express to the brethren of the district my appreciation of the honor conferred in electing me as the first D.D.G.M. of the newly formed district (which consists of thirteen lodges all joined up with splendid highways, thus making an ideal district) and to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master for his ratification of such election.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. F. C. Brown as District Secretary, to whom I shall ever be indebted for his splendid support throughout the year.

As all the lodges in my district had been visited officially by my predecessor in the spring, I embraced the opportunity last fall of becoming better acquainted with the brethren of the district, by visiting many of the lodges unofficially. One particular pleasing feature was when my own lodge acted as host to the ruling masters and wardens of the district, the masters occupied the chairs and exemplified the work in the third degree in a splendid manner

My first official visit was to Fort Erie Lodge on January 29th, 1931, and although W. Bro. F. E. Jackson and his officers were occupying their chairs for the first time after being installed (at whose installation I had the pleasure of assisting) they exemplified the work in the second degree in a splendid manner. There was a good attendance of the members and many visitors from neighbouring lodges, which included a number of distinguished members of the Craft from Buffalo, N.Y.

I visited Myrtle Lodge, Port Robinson, on January 27th, 1931. The second degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Simpson and his officers assisted by several Past Masters, a special feature being, the work in the north by W. Bro. Danby, his son being the candidate.

I found Myrtle Lodge to be in excellent financial condition dues well paid up and Benevolent Fund well over the top. The hospitality of Myrtle Lodge was taken advantage of by visiting brothers from several of the near-by lodges, bringing with them a generous sprinkling of P.D.D.G.Ms., P.Ms. and ruling masters.

On February 2, 1931, I paid Phoenix Lodge, Fonthill, a visit where I was delighted to find P.D.D.G.M. A. B. Damude and others who had been instrumental in instituting my own lodge, Dominion No. 615.

Phoenix Lodge is presided over by an efficient staff of officers, under the direction of W. Bro. John A. Barron who exemplified the second degree, and also raised and lowered the lodge in a manner that showed considerable skill in the art. Phoenix Lodge has just reached the one hundred mark in membership and seems to be getting through the period of depression very nicely.

My next official visit was made to King Edward the Seventh Lodge at Chippawa on February 4th, 1931, where I was pleased to find a good attendance of the local members as well as visiting brethren from several of the lodges in the district. W. Bro. J. F. Rapelje and his officers showed great skill in the manner in which the second degree was worked on one candidate, the work being snappy, and the business of the lodge conducted with dispatch. King Edward the Seventh is in excellent financial condition and well housed in their own splendid building, well toward the head in their contribution to the benevolent fund, and in a generally healthy condition. The courtesy extended to myself and staff by King Edward lodge will be long remembered by me.

My fifth official visit was made to Clifton lodge, Niagara Falls, February 5th, 1931, where about one hundred and fifty of the brethren had assembled to witness the exemplification of the third degree, which was done in an exceptionally efficient and impressive manner by W. Bro. F. S. Lane and his officers and would be worthy of emulation by any lodge within the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge. Clifton Lodge appears to be in a healthy condition, having a membership of about five hundred, the benevolent fund has been well subscribed and the lodge is active in local benevolence as well. An excellent masonic spirit seems to permeate every activity which assures me that the tenets of Freemasonry are being interpreted in the life of the lodge and its landmarks well guarded.

Old St. Marks, Niagara Falls, turned out to the number of about eighty including several visitors from Buffalo, N.Y. (among whom was R.W. Bro. Mallory, D.D.G.M. of Erie district No. 1, New York, whom we had the honor of welcoming) as well as from lodges in the district, to greet me on my official visit to them on February 10th, 1931.

W. Bro. Harrison and his officers exemplified the third degree in a very thorough and dignified manner despite the fact that this was the first time the new officers had worked the degree. St. Marks like most lodges is feeling the pinch of hard times, but is carrying on with a good degree of efficiency. With a membership of 321 they have contributed something over four hundred dollars to the benevolent fund of Grand Lodge.

The optimism shown and the splendid fraternal feeling exhibited assures me that masonry is carried forward on a high level and that none of our ancient landmarks are allowed to drop by the wayside, in this old lodge. I would like to add a word of praise to the secretary, W. Bro. Trelford for the splendid shape in which he keeps the records.

My official visit to Adoniram Lodge, Niagara Falls, was made on the evening of February 16th, where I found a very representative group of members

and visitors awaiting me. W. Bro. F. H. Clement and his officers exemplified the first degree in a very efficient manner showing they were conversant and well skilled in the art. Adoniram Lodge has a good membership and seems to be having a healthy growth. While they seem to be feeling the pinch of the depression, they are making an earnest effort to collect their back dues. Here also we found the records as kept by the secretary W. Bro. Stringer in excellent shape.

One of the most interesting evenings was enjoyed by me in visiting Merritt Lodge, Welland, on March 2nd. I found Merritt Lodge in charge of a very efficient set of officers under the able leadership of W. Bro. Anderson who spared no pains in his endeavour to make the evening a success, not only in exemplifying the work in the third degree, which was performed in an excellent manner, but being host to a large number of visitors, which contributed greatly to the evenings pleasure and goodfellowship. I was particularly pleased to note that Merritt Lodge has not only contributed liberally, and are still contributing to the benevolent fund of Grand Lodge, but have done considerable in local charity as well. Financial condition very good with comparatively few back dues.

My ninth official visit was made at Palmer Lodge, where we received a royal welcome March 3rd. Work in the third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. C. V. Ferguson and his officers, the work was impressively and masterly performed and reflected great credit on the officers. While the spirit of masonry was exhibited on every hand yet there was a feeling of gloom which seemed to touch the heart of every brother present due to R.W. Bro. W. C. Tait being stricken with a severe illness a few days prior to my visit. Notwithstanding, this lodge being so close to Buffalo with its counter attractions, the attendance averages well with other lodges in the district. Financial situation very good, dues well kept up, steady growth and few suspensions. Guests from Highland Lodge, Buffalo, were present.

On my official visit to MacNab Lodge, Port Colborne, on the evening of March 10th a counter attraction as well as a stormy night cut down the attendance somewhat. However I found the brethren well housed in a splendid lodge room of their own, which is well equipped. The officers under W. Bro. C. R. Howard were anxious to exemplify the work which, they did in a creditable manner, using a "dummy" candidate for the second degree. MacNab lodge is doing considerable charity work about Port Colborne and are to be commended for their good work.

I visited Stamford Lodge, Stamford, on April 1st. This is the youngest lodge in the district, but its members are already proving themselves to be good workmen, as was shown by the very efficient manner in which W. Bro. Embleton and his officers worked the first degree. Here, too, we were royally welcomed by a very large turn out of the members. The lodge is in capable hands, well supported by the Past Masters and I look forward to Stamford making great strides due to the enthusiasm of all its members.

On April 2nd I visited Copestone Lodge, Welland, where we were tendered a most cordial reception. The brethren turned out in goodly numbers and showed spirit and enthusiasm characteristic of Copestone. Business and work were of a high order, snappy and efficient. W. Bro. P. Carnohan and his officers exemplified the work in the first degree in a very capable manner. It was particularly pleasing to me to note how the master called on his junior officers to take a part in the work of the degree thus giving them an opportunity to prove their worth. Among the visitors present were R.W. Bros. Fralick and Dakers who added much to the success of the evening.

I shall long remember my visit to my own lodge, Dominion, on April 16th, by the large attendance of the members and the many visitors from all parts of the district. I was also signally honored by a large representation of distinguished members of the Craft from Buffalo, N.Y. among whom were R.W. Bro.

Mallory, D.D.G.M. of Erie District No. 1, and R.W. Bro. Schwert, D.D.G.M. of Erie district No. 2, New York State.

I was escorted and introduced, as the first member to be honored by being elected D.D.G.M., by the first Master of Dominion Lodge, W. Bro. Laur, the welcome being tendered by the Master, W. Bro. G. R. Stewart, who by the way was the first candidate initiated into the lodge.

It was with regret I had to request the master to put over the work of the evening, which was to be the F.C. degree due to the over-crowded condition of the room; the entire floor space being used to seat the members and visitors.

W. Bro. Stewart and his officers have attained a high degree of proficiency, carrying on the business of the lodge with dispatch, and exemplifying the work with dignity and impressiveness, which tends to keep the side benches occupied.

My secretary and I were presented with jewels emblematical of our offices, by the brethren of the lodge.

Bro. W. G. Willson, M.P.P. introduced the guest speaker of the evening W. Bro. Judge G. L. Hager, Past Master of my mother lodge in Buffalo, who spoke on "Crime Prevention" which was instructive and much appreciated by the many present.

In conclusion let me again thank the brethren of Niagara B. for the high honor they have conferred in electing me to this important office, and for the support and co-operation they have given me. I have thoroughly enjoyed the year's work, and have endeavored to leave with each lodge a Masonic message pointing out the importance of applying the principles of Masonry in their daily walk of life, and if I have

succeeded even in a small way, I will feel that I have been of some service to Masonry in this district. I would ask for my successor, whoever he may be, the same loyal support that has been given myself.

Fraternally submitted,

J. L. BRODIE,

D.D.G.M. Niagara District B.

NIPISSING DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report on condition of Masonry in the District of Nipissing I would first like to express my sincere appreciation to each and every Mason for the honour they bestowed on me, in electing me to this high and dignified office of District Deputy Grand Master. This year will linger in my memory as the outstanding Masonic event in my life, for the kindly contacts made and permanent friendships which will endure. It would be hard to adequately express my thanks for the splendid work achieved by my dear friend and secretary W. Bro. E. M. Shaw. My first official act upon being elected to the office of District Deputy Grand Master was to appoint W. Bro. E. M. Shaw of Sault Ste. Marie as my secretary.

Hornepayne Lodge No. 646 G.R.C., Hornepayne. On Sept. 29th, 1930, I had the pleasure of visiting Hornepayne Lodge when the third degree was exemplified in a very excellent and impressive manner by W. Bro. Dollar and his officers.

Dyment Lodge No. 442 G.R.C. Thessalon.

On Oct. 6th, 1930, accompanied by W. Bro. Edmonds and several members of **Keystone** Lodge No. 412, W. Bro. Jas. Wilson and W. Bro. D. Hopper of Algoma Lodge, I paid my official visit to Dyment Lodge No. 442 Thessalon, and found everything in splendid condition, well equipped and capable officers.

The degree work was excellently exemplified by W. Bro. Howell and officers assisted by the past masters.

Nipissing Lodge No. 420 G.R.C. North Bay.

On November 17th, 1930, I paid my official visit to Nipissing Lodge No. 420.

The first degree was most excellently exemplified by W. Bro. East, his officers and assisted by several past Masters of the lodge. Without prejudice I may say that I have never seen this beautiful ceremony performed with more dignity and impressiveness. The superb equipment of the North Bay Masonic Temple formed a most effective background for the work.

Mattawa Lodge No. 405 G.R.C. Mattawa. On Nov. 18th, 1930, accompanied by W. Bro. Geo. W. Deegan of Nipissing Lodge, North Bay, I visited Mattawa Lodge No. 405 Mattawa, the oldest Masonic lodge in the district. We were accorded a very warm welcome by W. Bro. Spec his officers and brethren.

At seven o'clock the brethren of Mattawa Lodge held a banquet, after which I was introduced in the lodge and received by W. Bro. Spec. Owing to an unfortunate accident the candidate was unable to be present. The W. Master opened and closed in the three degrees.

Espanola Lodge No. 521, G.R.C. Espanola. On November 19th, 1930, I had the great pleasure of visiting Espanola Lodge No. 521. On this occasion I was tendered a Moose Supper, which was attended by sixty-five to seventy brethren, assembled from Copper Cliff, Little Current and Blind River.

After the banquet I was introduced to W. Bro. Clark, his officers and members of Espanola Lodge by W. Bro. Fleure.

A most cordial welcome was extended to me by W. Bro. Clark on behalf of the lodge. The Third degree was exemplified in a most creditable manner by the Master and Officers, assisted by the Past Masters.

The Masters and Officers are to be congratulated for their zeal in maintaining the keen interest in these times of depression.

Penewobikong Lodge No. 487 G.R.C. Blind River. In company with W. Bro. Geo. Shier of Keystone Lodge No. 412 I visited Penewobikong Lodge on the evening of February 18th, 1931. The work of the evening a Third degree was exceedingly well exemplified by the Master W. Bro. Gillespie and his officers, assisted by W. Bro. T. Quinn. Penewobikong Lodge are to be congratulated on their beautiful temple and the great interest of its members for the welfare of the craft.

Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447, G.R.C. Sturgeon Falls. On March 2nd, 1931, I visited Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447 and on being introduced to the lodge by W. Bro. Pedler, I received a most cordial welcome from W. Bro. J. F. Boucher, the officers and brethren. W. Bro. J. F. Boucher assisted by his officers and past masters exemplified the second degree. On behalf of Sturgeon Falls Lodge I had the honour of presenting a Past Master's Jewel to W. Bro. Thompson.

North Bay Lodge No. 617, G.R.C. North Bay. On the evening of March 3rd, 1931, I had the pleasure of visiting North Bay Lodge. At 7 p.m. a banquet was held in the banquet hall of the temple and that true masonic spirit was truly manifested. I was introduced to W. Bro. Morton, officers and brethren by W. Bro. Jago and was received most cordially. W. Bro. Torton, assisted by his very efficient staff of officers and enthusiastic Past Masters exemplified the first degree in a most satisfactory manner, showing every evidence of that careful training given the lodge by the Master and Past Masters. A true Masonic spirit is manifested.

Nickel Lodge No. 427, G.R.C. Sudbury. On March 4th, 1931, I had the great pleasure of visiting Nickel Lodge. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Fowler and R.W. Bro. Cressy and was received in a true Masonic spirit.

W. Bro. F. Rothery assisted by his well skilled officers and loyal Past Masters exemplified the Third degree in a most efficient manner. Nickel Lodge is to be congratulated on having purchased a beautifully located property and in the near future hopes to erect a Masonic temple. Nickel Lodge is to be also congratulated on having a secretary such as R.W. Bro. Fowler, who devotes so much time and energy for the welfare of the craft.

National Lodge No. 588 G.R.C. Capreol. On March 16th, 1931, I officially visited National Lodge and found W. Bro. J. H. Hamilton and his installed officers with their work well in hand leaving little for criticism. This lodge is most fortunate in having for its secretary V.W. Bro. Ellis who is not only an outstanding secretary, but who is a pillar of strength to the younger officers of the lodge.

Lorne Lodge No. 622, G.R.C. Chapleau. Visited Lorne Lodge on March 17th, 1931, and was very enthusiastically received by its officers and members. Wor. Bro. Mascoe and his officers conferred the Third degree in a very creditable manner. Lorne Lodge has a splendid lodge room and a very efficient staff of officers.

Algonquin Lodge No. 536, G.R.C. Copper Cliff. I had the honour of paying my official visit on March 18th, and was most warmly welcomed by W. Bro. A. C. Kerr, officers and brethren.

The third degree was exemplified in a most excellent and impressive manner by W. Bro. A. C. Kerr and officers and was worthy of my highest commendation. On this visit I was honoured in having present R.W. Bro. Sharpe, Grand Registrar of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

Hatherly Lodge No. 624, Algoma Lodge and Keystone Lodge No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie. On March 31st, 1931, I was entertained at a joint banquet tendered by these three lodges, at which W. Bro. Burke of Hatherly Lodge acted as toast master, W.

Bro. Dr. Nattress of Algoma Lodge proposing the toast to the Grand Lodge of Canada and W. Bro. A. H. Hugill of Keystone Lodge acting as Master of Ceremonies.

Having visited these three lodges on previous occasions and witnessed their work, I did not consider it necessary to ask them to open lodge for my inspection on this occasion.

Doric Lodge No. 455 G.R.C. Little Current. I paid my official visit to Doric Lodge on May 26th, 1931.

At 7 p.m. the brethren assembled at the lodge room and then in a body marched to the banquet hall of the United Church where a very sumptuous banquet was held. After the banquet the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, when W. Bro. Whaley and officers, assisted by Past Masters exemplified a third degree in a very creditable manner. The Master, Officers and Past Masters are deserving of much credit for their interest of the craft.

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472 G.R.C. Gore Bay. I had the pleasure of visiting Gore Bay Lodge on May 27th, 1931. I was introduced to W. Bro. Casson, officers and brethren by V.W. Bro. Robinson and was received most cordially.

W. Bro. Casson and officers exemplified the Third degree in a most proficient manner and deserve the highest commendation.

It has been my desire during my term of office to promote Benevolence and on my visits suggested to each lodge that one evening a year be set aside to be known as Benevolent night and on that occasion enlighten the members of the craft as to what Grand Lodge has been and are to-day doing for Benevolence.

In conclusion I would again express my gratitude for the assistance and loyalty extended to me by the Past Grand Lodge Officers, Past Masters and Brethren of the district and trust that the same Masonic feeling will be extended to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

H. P. BROUGHTON,

D.D.G.M. Nipissing District.

NORTH HURON DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my report upon the condition of Masonry in North Huron District.

During my term of office the support and co-operation from all has made the labour one of love and the receptions tendered in all lodges has been marked by sincerity and devotion to a common cause.

My choice of a District Secretary and a District Chaplain proved in each case to leave nothing to be desired. The former office was ably filled by W. Bro. O. J. Mooney who has been untiring in his efforts to arrange for official visits and he has never shirked work on these visits or failed to accompany me on a single visit. Our Chaplain, Bro. Rev. E. W. Jewitt, has also filled his office in a creditable manner and his gift of oratory has been acceptable on a number of occasions. It affords me a great deal of pleasure therefore to express my hearty thanks for their assistance and advice.

Owing to the financial stringency some lodges are receiving few applications for membership and upon three visits no candidates were available. Upon these occasions I have stressed the desirability of the lodge officers conducting practice to become efficient in the three degrees and also to try and strengthen the lodges from within. It has been my aim to be helpful in instruction, and in my addresses to strive to leave a message worthy of the Most Wor. the Grand Master whom I have had the pleasure of representing. Men's minds have turned to serious things and the attentive audiences have been a pleasure to address upon the things in this world which count for most. Most

sailors can run a ship well with favorable winds but it takes a good sailor to pilot his ship against head winds.

And so Masonry in these trying times has a grand opportunity to show its true qualities and exemplify the character building which we aim to strive for and which has kept us virile and strong. Considerable fresh paint has been noticeable in many of the lodge rooms and new lodge rooms in a few instances.

On May 14th this district had the pleasure of a visit from the M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel. He was accompanied by R.W. Bro. Wm. Logan, Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. Heron. An official reception was tendered in Northern Light Lodge No. 93 at Kincardine. The committee in charge left nothing to be desired in the appointments and the Toast List was complete with splendid speakers and musical numbers. It was my pleasure to preside and three hundred and fifty were present. The address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master was full of inspiration and the audience listened most attentively. The Grand Secretary was in a happy frame of mind and delighted his hearers. It was a night long to be remembered by those present, some of whom drove many miles for the occasion. R.W. Bro. Dr. G. Fowler on behalf of the district presented the Most Worshipful the Grand Master with a table as a souvenir of his visit.

I have visited all the lodges in the district once and have found the work uniform and dignified. The books are well kept and insurance sufficient.

My first official visit was to Bernard Lodge, Listowel, on October 3rd. It was the return to the place of my birth and one felt doubly at home under the circumstances. Over forty accompanied us from Kincardine and about two hundred members were in the lodge room. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Thos. Blackmore, and V.W. Bro. F. Vandrick. The officers had visited our lodge at Kincardine on our regular meeting night a few weeks previous and

exemplified the first degree in a splendid manner. They therefore opened and closed in the three degrees and R.W. Bro. B. Bamford gave a lecture on the apron very nicely and presented the aprons to a number of M. Masons. He then on behalf of Bernard Lodge presented your humble servant with a fine writing set as a remembrance of the visit and it was a real surprise and much appreciated. W. Bro. Smith officiated and is a most dignified Master. His officers are splendid and their work most efficient. The lodge room is nicely decorated and has good furniture. Many outside lodges were represented. The secretary has splendid books and the lodge is to be congratulated in being able to retain his services.

On October 7th, accompanied by a number from Kincardine we visited St. Johns' Lodge No. 284, at Brussels. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Wilton and W. Bro. Bowman. The First degree was conferred on a splendid candidate in a fitting manner by W.M. Bro. Sparling and his officers. This lodge is composed of sincere men and their work is very satisfactory. The secretary is efficient and books in good shape.

We next visited Blair Lodge at Palmerston on October 10th accompanied by a number of Past Masters. R.W. Bro. Scrimgeour and R.W. Bro. Wilton introduced me on this occasion. The work consisted of the third degree. It has never been my privilege to witness a Master do his work more smoothly and perfectly, with good support from his officers, than on this occasion, and the work merited the praise I saw fit to give it. The lodge room is new and the members have reason to be proud of their quarters. The books are well kept and in good hands. Wor. M. Dyer is to be commended.

Our next visit on November 4th, was to Wingham Lodge at Wingham. I was introduced by W. Bro. Stewart and W. Bro. Ross. Two candidates were initiated on this occasion and personally would have preferred seeing only one on an official visit of the D.D.G.M. The time taken up by repetition might

have been spent to better advantage and caused the closing of the lodge to be later than desirable. The work was quite acceptable and was in charge of W.M. Bro. Reid and his regular officers. The lodgeroom has been newly decorated and is very well done, the ceiling is a work of art and the furniture and hangings are in keeping with the decorating. The secretary is particularly efficient and a credit to the lodge.

On November 6th I was at Fordwich Lodge No. 331 on a beautiful snowy night. The trip there was delightful by motor and enjoyed by the brethren accompanying me. W. Bro. E. A. Harris and W. Bro. McLaughlin kindly introduced me and a first degree was exemplified by W.M. Bro. Harris and his officers. It was well done and by now I was convinced that much practice was being done by the lodge officers previous to my official visits. This is a small lodge working under some disadvantages. The increase in their numbers has been slow but the spirit of the members and the desire to do as well as possible under the circumstances is all that can be desired. W. Bro. Mooney speaks well of the secretary's efforts.

On April 1st I visited my mother lodge at Kincardine. This is the 75th anniversary of Northern Light Lodge and is the oldest lodge in the district. W.M. Bro. Lamont and his officers tried to do their work in the first degree in a faultless manner. While we have not had any great increase in membership this year the officers have practised just the same and the work as demonstrated on this occasion left nothing to be desired. R.W. Bro. MacPherson the secretary has a set of books for neatness hard to equal and he is a tower of strength in the degree work and lectures. A splendid banquet was enjoyed by a number of visitors as well as the regular visits and the addresses were of a high order. The lodge quarters have been beautifully decorated recently and modernized. On this occasion my fellow workers saw fit to honor me by presenting a beautiful Masonic ring which I deeply appreciate.

Teeswater Lodge No. 276. Teeswater, April 23rd, R.W. Bro. Dr. Fowler and R.W. Bro. Linklater courteously presented me to an enthusiastic assembly of Masons. W. Bro. Hendry and officers conferred the degree of initiation in a splendid manner. The lodgeroom is clean and they have splendid banquet hall. The secretary has his books nicely kept and is very efficient. The loyal support accorded the officers here is most marked. The members of Teeswater lodge are good visitors themselves and in return had many from outside lodges at this meeting.

Forest Lodge No. 162. Wroxeter was visited on April 27th and W. Bros. Brown and Allan presented me. There was no candidate for this meeting but two applications were received. W. M. McLaughlin and officers fill their respective chairs very well. We had some instructive addresses from members of the lodges and visitors, and a profitable evening was spent. Their books are in good condition.

On May 5th I was at Blyth Lodge, Blyth, R.W. Bro. Beacom and R.W. Bro. Tiernay acted as my guides. This is a lodge with an efficient secretary and books in splendid condition. They have considerable surplus and would increase the enthusiasm amongst their members by making some improvements. The pride engendered in improved lodge quarters is always noticeable.

We had no degree work as candidates have been scarce here as in many lodges. W. Bro. M. McEwing and his officers handle the work of their respective chairs most acceptably.

Bruce Lodge No. 341, Tiverton, was next visited on May 19th. This lodge is situated in a small village and many of the members are from the surrounding country. I was presented by W. Bros. Bowie and L. MacKinnon and saw the first degree exemplified by W. Bro. M. McKellar and officers. The Past Masters of this lodge are critics of no mean order and the work must be correct to suit them. This lodge is in good hands and the spirit of the

officers and members would be difficult to surpass. W. Bro. Mooney examined and reported the books in good shape.

May 26th saw us at Hullett Lodge in Londesboro. This is the baby lodge of the district. Their quarters are small but well kept. W. Bro. Harvey and R.W. Bro. Beacom introduced me here. The sitting Master W. Bro. McVittie and his officers did not exemplify a degree but I am satisfied with their proficiency in the chairs. The books are in good shape. Many from outside lodges visited here and added to the pleasure of the evening

Our final visit was at Old Light Lodge No. 184 Lucknow. Two of the stalwarts of this lodge presented me, W. Bros. Atkinson and Hodgins. There is great enthusiasm amongst the members of this lodge and they have been quite busy during the past year. Their new quarters are a great credit to them and they have a right to be proud. The E.A. Degree was ably conferred by W. Bro. Dr. Johnston and his officers. The degree work and general conduct of the lodge leave nothing to be desired.

It is a pleasure to find as efficient and prompt a secretary as this lodge has in Bro. McKenzie.

Just a few remarks in conclusion. There are two secretaries in this district who whilst keeping good books neglect to regularly send the D.D.G.M. notices of their lodge meetings. I hope this reference will, be sufficient and that my successor finds no room for complaint in this regard. R.W. Bro. Scrimgeour has been kind and helpful and I can never forget the assistance rendered particularly by R.W. Bro. MacPherson of my mother lodge. To those who accompanied me on so many occasions and gave of their time and talents I extend my heartiest thanks and also to the officers and brethren in the entire district. My fraternal relations with the sitting D.D.G.M. in R.W. Bro. Collins for Bruce District have been extremely cordial and we have visited in each others district and found it a pleasure and a profit.

The sermon delivered by our District Chaplain at our district church parade in June was accorded one of the ablest and best delivered sermons ever heard by the audience and it was a fitting close for our year's activities.

It has been a pleasure to serve under such a spirit as pervades this district and I bespeak the same co-operation for my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

E. E. BRUCE,
D.D.G.M. North Huron.

ONTARIO DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report upon the condition of Masonry in Ontario District.

I would be remiss, indeed, in my duty were I to neglect to express to the brethren of this district my very deep appreciation of the honour which they conferred upon me in electing me as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. The splendid fraternal spirit of courtesy and co-operation, which has been so marked in every contact with my Masonic brethren, has rendered my task not only most pleasant but has smoothed away any difficulty almost before it arose.

My first official act was to appoint as District Secretary Wor. Bro. H. S. Keyes of Colborne Lodge No. 91. I also appointed Bro. Rev. T. McKim, M.A. of Colborne Lodge No. 91, as District Chaplain, and to these brethren I extend my sincere appreciation for their services in assisting me with my duties in this splendid Masonic district.

On the 4th of December, 1930, I paid my first official visit to Orono Lodge No. 325, G.R.C. and was royally received on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

I was introduced to the lodge by Wor. Bro. E. J. Hamm, a past master of the lodge and a splendid brother.

The second degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Adolph Henry and his officers, assisted by the Past Masters, not forgetting V.W. Bro. J. J. Gilfillen

(Past District Secretary of the lodge), in a most creditable manner. The work was uniform throughout.

The lodge books, under the care of Wor. Bro. Neil Colville, are well kept and, in general, masonry is in good condition in this lodge.

The masonic orchestra is a splendid one and added greatly to the entertainment of the evening.

I visited Lebanon Lodge No. 139, G.R.C., Oshawa December 9th, 1930. I was introduced to the officers and brethren of Lebanon Lodge, together with their numerous guests, by V.W. Bro. Roy F. Bennett and was received most cordially.

Wor. Bro. H. S. White, assisted by his staff of officers and enthusiastic Past Masters, exemplified the work of the evening in a most creditable manner, in their beautiful masonic temple.

Lebanon Lodge is in splendid condition. The officers and members are very proficient; the finances are in good condition and the secretary, Wor. Bro. Hare, has his books in order.

St. John's Lodge No. 17, G.R.C., Cobourg. I visited St. John's Lodge No. 17 on February 10th, 1931, and on being introduced to the lodge by Wor. Bro. F. R. Drury I received a most cordial welcome from Worshipful Brother N. K. Noble, the officers and brethren. In addition to a strong turn out of the members of St. John's Lodge I found a large number of brethren from the two neighbouring lodges of Port Hope, Ontario Lodge No. 26 and Hope Lodge No. 114.

Wor. Bro. Noble assisted by his officers and ably seconded by the Past Masters, exemplified the first degree in an exceptionally noteworthy manner. The work of the officers was uniformly good.

The books handled by Wor. Bro. Rothwell, are clear and comprehensive. The minute book is ex-

ceptionally detailed and will provide ample material for any future historian of St. John's Lodge in particular or of Ontario District as a whole. The good influence of this worthy Brother is noticeable. The newly installed Worshipful Master, Bro. W. J. Youden, would grace any position in the gift of his brethren in this masonic district.

Composite Lodge No. 30, G.R.C. Whitby.—February 23rd, 1931. This was a fair representative gathering which greeted me on the occasion of my official visit. A number of lodges, in addition to the officers and brethren, were present.

Wor. Bro. F. T. Rowe, Wor. Master, and officers put on the work of the evening second to none in the district.

I was introduced to the lodge by R.W. Bro. G. M. Goodfellow, P.D.D.G.M., in his usual generous manner.

The Secretary, Wor. Bro. J. W. Bateman, handles the books of the lodge in a very efficient manner and is a credit to masonry.

I had the pleasure of paying my official visit to Durham Lodge No. 66 G.R.C. of Newcastle on March 3rd, 1931.

The work of the evening was well exemplified by Wor. Bro. J. L. Cryderman, and his officers had their individual parts well in hand.

R.W. Bro. W. F. Rickard, P.D.D.G.M., introduced me to the lodge and spoke so nicely of our years of friendship.

The Secretary, Bro. J. W. Bradley, has his books in splendid condition and his loyalty to the lodge is in evidence. The Past Masters are a wonderful asset to the lodge.

Hope Lodge No. 114, G.R.C., Port Hope. was visited officially by me on March 6th, 1931.

I was introduced to the lodge by Wor. Bro. C. S. Hamly, an old friend of mine.

The work of the evening was well exemplified by Wor. Bro. H. Hutchings and his officers and was ably assisted by the Past Masters who are always eager to help in the interests of Masonry.

V.W. Bro. Mark the secretary, has his books in good order.

Cedar Lodge No. 270, G.R.C., Oshawa. On the 24th of March, 1931, I paid my official visit to this lodge and I found the Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. Robert Meek, and his officers have the work perfect and all branches of lodge are well looked after.

I was introduced to the lodge by the D. of C. Wor. Bro. Wm. Deans in his very pleasing manner, and spent a most enjoyable evening. Their wonderful Masonic Choir and the fourth degree were a revelation to me.

The secretary, W. Bro. M. L. Argall, takes a great interest in his work.

Ontario Lodge No. 26, G.R.C., Port Hope. I had the extreme pleasure of visiting the second oldest lodge in the district on April 17, 1931.

Wor. Bro. C. J. Bate and his officers assisted by Past Masters, exemplified the second degree and the work was well done.

I was introduced to the lodge by Wor. Bro. Harry Mitchell, D. of C., who is a monument to masonry in this district.

On Friday evening, March 20th, this lodge had the pleasure of a visit from the Most Worshipful the

Grand Master, when they celebrated the fifty-fifth anniversary of Right Worshipful Bro. W. J. Robertson's entry into masonry.

This lodge is favoured by having as Past Masters some of the best known men in the Province of Ontario.

The lodge books are being looked after by Very Wor. Bro. F. H. Batty and masonry and finances are good; he accompanied me on many of my official visits.

Temple Lodge No. 649, G.R.C. Oshawa. April 21, 1931. On this occasion I had the very great pleasure of paying my official visit to Temple Lodge No. 649. I was introduced to the officers and brethren by Wor. Bro. C. C. Stenhouse. The First degree was exemplified. The work was most skilfully performed by Wor. Bro. C. F. Cannon, with the assistance of his officers and Past Masters. Without prejudice I may say that I have never seen this beautiful ceremony performed with more dignity and impressiveness. The superb equipment of the Oshawa Masonic Temple formed a most effective background for the work.

The officers are efficient and energetic and the membership enthusiastic. The books in the efficient hands of Wor. Bro. W. O. Wilson are in good shape. He is a credit to the lodge.

On this occasion the lodge celebrated an "Irish Night" for my benefit.

Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, G.R.C. Bowmanville. I had the pleasure of visiting Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, G.R.C. on May 13, 1931, and I was most cordially received upon being introduced by an old friend. R.W. Bro. W. J. Bragg.

The First degree, as exemplified by Wor. Bro. R. E. Logan and his officers, was handled in that

same excellent manner which has become traditional with Jerusalem Lodge; the work was put on second to none in the district.

The books are in the very capable hands of V.W. Bro. Thos. Annison, who is the untiring secretary. and a credit to the lodge.

Jerusalem Lodge is in the safe keeping of efficient officers•and active Past Masters.

Colborne Lodge No. 91, G.R.C., Colborne. 15th May, 1931, I visited my own lodge and was introduced by Wor. Bro. Col. J. F. Wolfram. The First degree was put on and the work well done by Wor. Bro. Frank Chapman, his officers and the Past Masters of the Lodge.

This was the biggest Masonic gathering ever held in this part of the province, outside of my last Masonic Picnic at Presqu'ile Point, which numbered at least 7,000 masons and their friends R.W. Bro. McClung, Prince Edward District, R.W. Bro. Morrow, V.W. Bro. James Little and others honoured our lodge by their presence.

This lodge has the finest set of tracing boards in the province.

Fidelity Lodge No. 428, G.R.C. Port Perry. June 5th, 1931. Accompanied by a number of the brethren of Colborne, Port Hope and Cobourg lodges I paid my first official visit to Fidelity Lodge No. 428 G.R.C. of Port Perry.

I was introduced to the lodge by R.W. Bro. Hutcheson.

The first degree was ably rendered by Wor. Bro. M. V. Malcolm and his officers, assisted by the Past Masters. The candidate was an excellent one, visibly impressed by the ceremony.

The number of Past Masters present at this meeting and taking an active part in the work, together with the enthusiasm of the large number of brethren present, speaks well for the condition of Masonry in Fidelity Lodge. The books of the secretary, Wor. Bro. Geo. R. Davey, are in splendid shape.

Mount Zion Lodge No. 39, G.R.C. Brooklin. June 23, 1931. I was introduced to the officers and brethren of Mount Zion Lodge by the Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. L. W. Hall, and was received cordially by the brethren assembled.

The third degree was well exemplified by the Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. W. E. Trimble, his officers and the Past Masters. The candidate was good and the officers are young and enthusiastic.

The secretary, Wor. Bro. Thos. R. Price, has all his books and accounts in proper form and the lodge may be expected to maintain itself in the future at the same high level which it has held in the past.

In conclusion let me again thank the many brethren throughout the district for the privilege I have had and the friendships I have formed in endeavouring to serve you as D.D.G.M.

The year just closing will be remembered by me as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life.

I bespeak for my successor the same consideration loyal support and brotherly love which has made my work easy and pleasant.

Fraternally yours,

A. G. WILLOUGHBY,

D.D.G.M. Ontario District.

OTTAWA DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.
of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour and pleasure of submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in the Ottawa District for the year 1930-31.

I would first express my great appreciation of the high honour conferred upon me by my brethren in electing me to the responsible office of being your representative in this large and important district for the past year. I thank them most sincerely for their confidence in, and their kindness towards me.

The work of conferring degrees throughout the district is of a uniform high standard and wherever suggestions for improvement was offered, the Masters invariably received them gladly, with the evidently earnest desire for uniformity and improved work.

Harmony exists throughout the district between the lodges, evidenced by the many fraternal visits between lodges, which have taken place, while within the lodges very little, if any, friction exists, and I feel certain that at no period has the spirit of Masonry been better exemplified among the brethren than at the present moment.

On October the 18th, the District was honoured by the presence of the Most Wor. Grand Master R. B. Dargavel, who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan and V. W. Bro. James Chambers. The occasion was the dedication of the Hall of Carleton Lodge No. 465, at Carp, Ont. Accompanied by a large deputation of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Lodge Officers and brethren from Ottawa and vicinity Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel dedicated this Hall in a beautiful and impressive manner.

This building is a credit to the earnest efforts of the members of Carleton Lodge and should meet the needs of Masonry in the Carp vicinity for many decades to come.

An illuminated address was read and presented to Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel by Wor. Bro. Birch the Wor. Master, expressing on behalf of the officers and members of Carleton Lodge their sincere loyalty and esteem towards our beloved Grand Master, who after expressing his appreciation, delivered a truly masonic address, bringing to the hearts of his hearers a very personal and earnest lesson, which was much appreciated by all fortunate enough to be present.

Wor. Bro. W. Stuart then gave a very interesting address on the historical aspect of the beautiful and unique set of lodge furniture and jewels. To Bro. Stuart this lodge owes a debt of gratitude for all time to come.

The splendid furniture and regalia was used in Havre de Grace Lodge in Le Havre, France during the great war by English speaking military brethren gathered from the four quarters of the Golbe, and after the war was secured through the forethought, personal efforts and expense of Bro. W. Stuart, and presented to Carleton Lodge.

May it always be hallowed by the memory of those brethren who met the great final trial over there, those who came not back.

On April 17th, the Ottawa district was again honoured by the official visit of Most Wor. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan and R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson. A luncheon was served in the Chateau Laurier, which was well attended by brethren from the whole district.

The evening reception in the Glebe Collegiate Institute was marred by a heavy storm, which kept many away, but some six hundred brethren attended and felt well repaid for their efforts.

After the ceremonial entrance of the Most Wor. the Grand Master, Grand Lodge officers Past and Present, and Ruling Masters under the direction of R.W. Bro. E. J. McCleery, the ruling masters of the district were each in turn presented to the Most Wor. the Grand Master.

An address of welcome, signed by all the twenty-seven ruling masters, was read by Wor. Bro. Taylor and presented to Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel, who being introduced by R.W. Bro. Dr. J. H. Putman, delivered a most scholarly address which went straight to the hearts of the brethren

A gift presentation was followed by music and addresses, that of R.W. Bro. Logan in his usual inimitable mixture of humor and pathos being thoroughly enjoyed.

The Ottawa District will ever carry happy recollections of its contact with Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel.

Having received instructions from the Grand Master to dedicate the Hall of Renfrew Lodge No. 122, I in company with R.W. Bro. E. J. McCleery, R.W. Bros. J. A. Dobbie, A. J. Ross, W. M. Ross, E. J. MacPhail, Jos. McCullough, Dr. J. Reeves and other Past Grand Lodge officers, Past Masters and ruling masters attended on May 27th, and performed this ceremony in form.

The ceremony was well attended by the members and visitors from the district. A very happy event. Renfrew Lodge being now in very admirable quarters, with ample accommodation, well equipped and well furnished for every need. Continued progress in good Masonic work is assured.

Outside of my official visits to the twenty-seven lodges in the district I accepted many invitations to At Homes and meetings of various kinds, at all of which the brethren extended the utmost kindness and courtesy to me as your representative.

For the sake of brevity—I have not weighted the individual lodge reports with many interesting features occurring at the banquets, and entertainments which followed each official meeting. These banquets were in nearly ever case of a very high order, well attended and thoroughly enjoyed.

A sincere effort was made by each ruling master to open promptly, so as not to unnecessarily protract the closing hour, which was much appreciated by the brethren.

The Temple Choir of Ottawa deserves special mention for its many and brilliant achievements.

This choir has rendered much service to the Craft being ever ready and willing to supply good music for special masonic affairs. In this field its work has been consistent and much appreciated.

My first official visit was on Oct. 6th to Enterprize Lodge No. 516 at Beachburg.

In the absence of W. Bro. R. S. Graham, who unfortunately was in a sanitarium, the chair was occupied by W. Bro. S. S. Robinson, who exemplified the work of the First degree, the candidate being Mr. Frank McIntyre. Wor. Bro. Robinson and the officers of this lodge have the work up to a high degree of excellence and exemplified it in a very impressive manner. The secretary, Wor. Bro. Creegan is a very efficient and painstaking officer and keeps his books and accounts in good form. The finances of this lodge are also in a healthy state.

My next visit was to Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, on Oct. 28th. This being my first official visit to an Ottawa Lodge, I was accompanied by about fifty Past Grand Lodge officers, Masters and Past Masters and most cordially received by Wor. Bro. Alvin Woods and his officers in a very enthusiastic gathering of Masons.

The work of the evening was the raising of Bro. T. S. Fleming. Chaudiere Lodge is a very earnest and a very energetic lodge, and on this occasion the work was well up to their usual high standard of efficiency, which is maintained year after year, encouraged and assisted by many very capable and active Past Masters.

On Jan. 27th, I again visited this lodge, being requested to install the incoming master Wor. Bro. W. O. Graburn and officers. On this occasion I had the pleasure of presenting on behalf of the officers and members of Chaudiere Lodge a past Masters Jewel to Wor. Bro. Woods the I.P.M.

On Nov. 12th, my official visit was to St. John's Lodge 63 Carleton Place. I was accompanied by a very large deputation of Past District Deputy Grand Masters, Masters and Past Masters from the Ottawa Lodges and elsewhere. The work of the evening was a third degree, seven Past Masters taking parts in the exemplification of it. The regular officers not participating to the usual extent. They however, opened and closed in the several degrees with efficiency showing an excellent knowledge of the work, each officer performing with a finished style of delivery, showing careful preparation and study of detail.

This is the home lodge of R.W. Bro. W. H. Hooper and V.W. Bro. Menzies and much credit is due to their efforts for the excellent work performed. The outstanding feature being the splendid work of the Past Masters in conferring a degree, and the close team work of the officers. On this occasion I had the pleasure of presenting on behalf of the officers and members of St. Johns Lodge to V.W. Bro. Menzies the regalia of a Grand Steward.

On Nov. 18th I attended the Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 in my official capacity as District Deputy Grand Master, accompanied by a large and distinguished deputation, receiving a very warm welcome. Again a third degree was the work of the evening, the candidate being Bro. E. E. Jenkins, who I feel sure was well impressed by the ceremony. Wor.

Bro. A. G. McDougall the Wor. Master and his officers performed the ceremony fairly well, but lacked close attention to detail, to which I drew attention.

I again visited this lodge at the regular meeting on April 21st, and witnessed a first degree, Mr. A. A. Seely being the candidate. Wor. Bro. McDougall the Master being in the chair. The work at this meeting was of very good quality, those taking part being accurate and giving evidence in their work of careful preparation, and I feel confident that for years to come, as each of the present officers advance, work of a high standard will be maintained.

I also visited this lodge on June 16th and had the honor of installing the newly elected Master, W. Bro. Arthur Perry and his officers, as well as the pleasure of presenting, on behalf of the Lodge of Fidelity, a Past Masters Jewel to Wor. Bro. A. G. McDougall the Immediate Past Master.

My next official visit was to St. Andrews Lodge No. 460 on Dec. 4th, accompanied by a large deputation, including the late R.W. Bro. John C. Scott, and other Past District Deputy Grand Masters, including R.W. Bro. Patterson, District Deputy Grand Master for Ottawa Masonic District in Quebec. St. Andrews Lodge is one of the young lodges in the city of Ottawa, full of vigor and doing a splendid work in Masonry. As its name might suggest it has a large proportion of true Scots within its ranks. The work of the evening was a first degree, and was conferred in a very impressive and perfect manner. The work of W. Bro. J. S. Abernethy the ruling master was excellent, as was that of his officers which carried with it a perfection of form, while the lectures and charges were expressed in a manner to show that their meanings were well understood and properly conveyed. A very pretty custom of this lodge is to accompany the District Deputy Grand Master to the Banquet Hall, led by a Scotch Piper, and at the close to present a bouquet of roses to the District Deputy Grand Master.

I visited Builders Lodge No. 177 on Dec. 12th. On this occasion there was a very large attendance of distinguished brethren, including nearly all the ruling masters of the district.

The work of the evening was a first degree, the candidate being Mr. Geo. Hughes, a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who seemed to be a fine type of man to be made a mason.

The work of Wor. Bro. J. A. Heisler, the Wor. Master, was a very excellent exemplification of the degree. Bro. J. D. Graham the junior warden presented the lecture on the tracing board in a clearly interpreted manner, while the work of all the officers was of a very high standard.

This lodge is outstanding for the continual good attendance of its Past Masters, who are always in evidence when duty calls, and every effort is made by them to maintain the high standard of excellence for which this lodge has been deservedly noted.

Ashlar Lodge No. 564 on Jan. 2nd, received me on this early New Years visit in a most cordial manner. I was accompanied by about forty Masters and Past Masters, and to us Wor. Bro. H. J. Davidson expressed greetings of welcome on behalf of his lodge in a very happy spirit of good will and brotherhood.

The work of the evening was a first degree and was most excellently performed by all concerned. Ashlar Lodge is one of the youngest lodges in the district, being but ten years old. It has had splendid success, now having one hundred and ninety members, many of its charter members still taking a keen interest in its affairs, the secretary being Wor. Bro. Geo. Powers and the Treasurer R.W. Bro. D. A. Esdale, being among them. Their affairs are in excellent shape and prospects bright.

Accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. H. Hooper and W. Bro. C. E. Campbell of Civil Service Lodge I

made my official visit to Madawaska Lodge No. 196 Arnprior, on Jan. 12th.

We were met at the station by Wor. Bro. H. N. Osborne, the Wor. Master and invited to his home for dinner, where we were most courteously received. My visit to the lodge in the evening was a very pleasant one, meeting many old friends. We were received by the Wor. Master and brethren with nicely chosen words of welcome.

Arnprior Lodge enjoys the reputation for good work and that on this occasion was no exception. The first degree was exemplified, the candidate Mr. Geo. Gillen, who must have been duly impressed, the work being exceedingly well done. The Wor. Master Bro. Osborne is well skilled, as is Bro. E. J. Davis the Senior Warden, while the work of Bro. J. E. Hobbs the Junior Warden left nothing to be desired. The Junior officers are all capable. Wor. Bro. A. McNabb the secretary performs his duties efficiently and is a good lodge secretary.

I paid my official visit to Defenders Lodge No. 590 on February 4th, accompanied by a very large deputation.

We were most cordially received, being introduced by Wor. Bro. Marriott, who is a distinguished Past Master of this lodge. There was a good attendance of members as well as visiting brethren. Defenders lodge is one of the youngest lodges in the district, being formed by military men after the great war, and yearly celebrates Armistice Day in a beautiful and fitting manner.

On this visit two brothers, Mr. Walter J. Kingsmill and Chas. G. Kingsmill, were initiated.

The Wor. Master Bro. H. Sloman and his officers exemplified the degree in a very satisfactory manner. The Junior Wardens lecture was very efficiently delivered, while the charge to the newly initiated

candidates was very impressively given by Wor. Bro. D. L. McKeand, the Immediate Past Master. The candidates who are his cousins, were excellent in demeanor and should be worthy members of the Craft.

On Feb. 5th accompanied by Wor. Bro. A. Woods and Wor. Bro. R. M. Stanton, together with a deputation from Cobden and Renfrew lodges, I made an official visit to Pembroke Lodge No. 128. The work was the conferring of the first degree by Wor. Bro. W. J. Moore who did so in a very finished manner, particularly so, as it was his first opportunity of working a degree since his elevation to the chair.

R.W. Bro. G. E. Josephs was absent through illness, and was greatly missed from his accustomed place. Dr. Josephs has since passed on to his reward, and leaves a vacancy that will long be felt by not only Pembroke Lodge, but the whole Ottawa Masonic District.

Wor. Bro. C. W. Fraser is a good lodge secretary and the affairs of this lodge are in a healthy condition.

On February 11th I visited Sydney Albert Luke Lodge No. 558 accompanied by an unusually large deputation of Past District Deputy Grand Masters, ruling masters and Past Masters. I was presented by R.W. Bro. W. M. Ross, in a most kindly and touching address. This lodge, named after the Late Worshipful Sydney A. Luke, and of which I have the honor to be a charter member, received me most graciously.

On this occasion I had the pleasure of witnessing the initiation of my youngest son, H. Reginald Hardy. The Wor. Master and his officers exemplifying the degree in a most commendable way.

Wor. Bro. T. A. Bullock, the Wor. Master, is a most capable officer, and while this was the first degree put on since installation, the work of all the officers indicated careful and intensive preparation.

Particular mention might be made of the impressive delivery of the charge by Wor. Bro. Storey, the Immediate Past Master.

At the request of the Wor. Master I again visited Sydney Albert Luke Lodge on May 13th, and exemplified the 3rd degree my son being the candidate. This was a privilege much appreciated by me.

On February 17th, I visited Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, where a very large gathering were assembled.

This official visit had been postponed from the scheduled date of Dec. 2nd, on account of the severe illness of the Master, who had now recovered, and was fulfilling his duties. With a large deputation I was introduced by Wor. Bro. F. A. McDiarmid and most generously received.

A first degree was exemplified, quite up to the high standard usually maintained by Dalhousie Lodge. The oldest lodge in the district. The Wor. Master Wor. Bro. A. D. Flack, being well skilled and well qualified. The delivery of the Junior Wardens lecture by Bro. J. W. Rostetter is deserving of special mention, while the officers following give promise of maintaining this high standard of work.

I had the pleasure of presenting, on behalf of the lodge, to Wor. Bro. G. M. Taylor, a past master jewel, one that had originally twenty-eight years ago been presented to Wor. Bro. Taylor's father, which with an added inscribed bar, was deemed more cherished by the recipient from its sentimental value, than if a new jewel had been procured.

An outstanding address by the Rev. P. P. W. Ziemann is deserving of mention.

Again on June 24th I visited Dalhousie Lodge and had the pleasure of acting as installing Master and of presenting to Wor. Bro. J. T. Jackson, on behalf of the officers and members, a beautiful secre-

taries jewel recognizing twenty-five years of continuous services as their secretary, and a record of never having missed a meeting during that time.

Dalhousie Lodge suffered a severe loss in the death of R. W. Bro. John C. Scott, who was called away on Christmas day. His friendly greeting, his ever ready help will long be missed by the brethren, while his wise counsel in things Masonic, is a heavy loss to the craft.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 visited Feb. 27th. A very large number of brethren attended from outside lodges, as well as city lodges. Introduced by Wor. Bro. H. J. Sykes in a very capable manner, to what was the largest gathering that had as yet attended at my official visits, doubtlessly augmented by the desire to hear R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Gore-Rees, Past Grand Chaplain of the United Grand Lodge of England, who was invited to deliver an address, which was of a brilliant and forceful nature, contrasting church and masonry, and demanding masonry to prove its claims by performing its aims.

The work exemplified was a first degree. The candidate Mr. Elmer Carnagie. The work of Wor. Bro. Jas. McAnoy and his officers left little to be desired. The lecture by Bro. Flay the Junior Warden was impressive, as was the charge by Wor. Bro. Rev. R.W. Turley. This lodge is in excellent shape and its prospects bright.

At the request of the Wor. Master I had the very great pleasure of presenting on behalf of the officers and members, a set of Grand Lodge Regalia to V.W. Bro. H. H. W. Nesbitt, a popular and deserving Past Master.

On March 10th I paid my official visit to Civil Service Lodge No. 148. Here also a very large deputation attended.

I was introduced very generously by Wor. Bro. Karl Conger, while the Wor. Masters words of wel-

come were heartfelt and gracious. The work, as is customary in this lodge on official visits of the District Deputy Grand Master, was a third degree, and was conferred on Bro. W. F. Jones by the Wor. Master Bro. C. E. Campbell, most impressively. He was assisted by Wor. Bros. H. E. A. Hawkins, Fred G. Smith and Bert Nugent, all Past Masters, doing their part of the work in a finished style, showing that in this lodge the Masters are always well supported by efficient Past Masters. The Junior officers also doing their parts well

V.W. Bro. H. W. Lothrop is a very efficient secretary, and his good efforts are felt in the general good tone of the lodges business affairs.

On March 12th my visit was to Rideau Lodge No. 595, which is the youngest lodge in the Ottawa District, a lodge which is showing every indication of healthy and of true Masonic enterprise in its fraternal and lodge life. Presented by V.W. Bro. A. T. Cooper, and very cordially welcomed by the Wor. Master Bro. R. D. Whitmore. The third degree was worked in perfect form, the Wor. Master being perfect in his ritual, while the work of the officers, both in the degree work and the opening and closing of the three degrees, showed careful training, with effective enunciation.

Doric Lodge No. 58 on March 19th: On this occasion there was a large turnout of the brethren, while the deputation which accompanied me was both large and representative. This is my Mother Lodge, and I had the great pleasure and honor of being introduced by R.W. Bro. E. S. MacPhail, who did so in most generous and kindly words, stressing the point that he had first introduced me to the lights of Masonry when he was ruling master of the lodge.

It was a most happy evening for me, marred only by the realization of how many of those who had participated in that initiation ceremony in 1914 had since passed on to the Grand Lodge above. One

outstanding figure being our late Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. S. A. Luke, who was my sponsor on that occasion.

The Wor. Master, Bro. E. H. Hall and his officers conferred a first degree, the candidate being Mr. Herbert Montgomery Tenant, in a very admirable manner, being well up to the high standard usually reached in Doric Lodge.

R.W. Bro. J. A. Ross, the long time secretary of this lodge is most efficient in his work and Masonic activities. He is much beloved by the Craft in the district. R.W. Bro. C. W. Jeffrey, the treasurer, was missed for the first time in many years, through severe illness. All trust that he may soon be restored to good health and further fellowship with the brethren.

Corinthian Lodge No. 496 at North Gower on March 27th. Quite a number motored out from Ottawa and Westboro Lodges on this occasion, and all were very happily received by the brethren. The work on this occasion was a second degree, the candidate being Bro. C. H. Cryderman. Wor. Bro. W. G. McCulla and his officers were very proficient and demonstrated what careful study and preparation accomplishes. Their labors left nothing to be desired in accuracy of ritual and floor work. On account of bad road conditions there was rather a small attendance.

The affairs of this lodge are in a good healthy condition, and Wor. Bro. F. L. Brownless the secretary has his books in good form.

On April 1st I visited Hazeldean Lodge No. 517 accompanied by R.W. Bro. J. A. Ross and a large number of masters and brethren from the Ottawa Lodges.

A very promising candidate, Mr. F. A. Young, was initiated. Wor. Bro. Russell Gow, and his officers

exemplified the degree in a praiseworthy manner, again showing what careful preparation and practice will accomplish.

On Nov. 26th, this lodge suffered a great loss in the death of R.W. Bro. the Hon. R. H. Grant, a founder and Charter Member, and one who took a keen interest in its welfare and masonry in general, a brother who will long be missed for his willing and wise counsels.

On April 3rd, Mississippi Lodge No. 147 Almonte. I was accompanied by R.W. Bro. J. A. Dobbie, R. W. Bro. Hooper, and others.

We were very graciously presented by R.W. Bro. McFarlane, and kindly received by the Wor. Master Bro. D. B. Taylor, in well chosen words of welcome.

On this occasion a third degree was exemplified in a very expressive manner by Wor. Bro. D. B. Taylor, assisted by several Past Masters and his officers. R.W. Bro. M. R. MacFarlane W. Bro. Jamison and V.W. Bro. Washburn assisting in the East.

The affairs of this lodge are in good shape.

The secretary Bro. Samuel Bradly, an efficient and energetic officer

Mississippi Lodge is the Mother Lodge of R.W. Bro. M. R. MacFarlane, who continues to take a very active interest in it.

Ionic Lodge No. 526 Westboro. Wor. Bro. F. Daubney Wor. Master, visited April 8th, a very large gathering of members and visitors attended, so that the capacity to the temple was taxed to the limit, many brethren being unable to get into the lodge room. A first degree was put on, the candidate Mr. W. J. Stirling. Wor. Bro. F. Daubney the Wor. Master and his officers rendered a good account of

themselves in the exemplification of the degree. The work was of decidedly high merit, showing careful preparation and rendered impressively from every angle, including the charge by Wor. Bro. K. F. Richardson, Immediate Past Master.

On April the 13th I visited Renfrew Lodge 122, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Dr. J. A. Dobbie and a goodly number of Masters and Past Masters from the district. This meeting was deferred from my scheduled one of Jan. 5th, at the request of the Renfrew brethren, until their new hall was ready.

The work was a first degree. Wor. Bro. R. T. Thacker showed efficiency and good command of the ritualistic work.

Wor. Bro. L. T. Fraser the Immediate Past Master is an earnest worker, and assisted in the work of the evening. Bro. D. Baxter the Junior Warden did his work well and promises to be a most capable official.

Renfrew Lodge has quite a few applications on its list, and now that they are settled in new quarters, which are admirable in every respect, increased interest is assured. Their lodge room is spacious, well furnished and in order, and a renewed advance in Masonic work in Renfrew is confidently expected. V.W. Bro. Canon Quartermain, the chaplain, takes a keen interest in the lodge.

My next official visit was to Acacia No. 561 on April 24th, the younger of the two Westboro lodges. I was accompanied by a large deputation of Past District Deputy Grand Masters and masters, and most courteously and kindly received by Wor. Bro. F. J. A. Old, and his officers.

A first degree was exemplified in a most efficient manner, the work of each and every officer being almost perfect. Wor. Bro. J. W. Gilchrist the Immediate Past Master delivered the charge most im-

pressively, while the Master work was outstanding in accuracy and delivery.

At the request of the Wor. Master I had the pleasure of presenting on behalf of Acacia Lodge, a Past Masters Jewel to Wor. Bro. J. W. Gilchrist, who responded in a very pleasant and happy manner.

Acacia and Ionic Lodges share in very comfortable quarters in the temple at Westboro.

Goodwood Lodge No. 159 in the good old town of Richmond was visited April 28th. A large number from the Ottawa and other lodges always visit Richmond on the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, and this occasion was no exception. We were very graciously received by the officers and members of Goodwood Lodge.

A first degree was exemplified.

This was the first time a first degree had been worked since the present officers were elected. The Wor. Master Bro. W. E. Mills and his officers demonstrated that all are well skilled and that careful attention had been paid to the ritualistic part of the work.

The work of the Junior Warden Bro. Argue, deserves special mention, the lecture being given with accuracy and impressiveness. This lodge is in a good condition, and while not having many applicants on account of restricted territory, all take a keen interest in their lodge, and in Masonry.

On May 4th, I visited Russell Lodge No. 429, accompanied by about twenty brethren from Ottawa. There was a splendid attendance of members as well as visitors from Winchester. A second degree was conferred on Bro. Dr. Calvin Morrow, an unusual candidate, being seventy-one years of age, but full of vigor, passing his examination perfectly, and appeared to grasp the full import of the ceremony. Wor. Bro.

R. W. Atkinson and his officers did the work in a very creditable manner. All the officers have good delivery, and are proficient in their several parts.

The books and accounts of the lodge are in good shape. Wor. Bro. J. A. Gamble the secrettary is an indefatigable worker, and he with other past masters are strong supporters of masonry in the community.

Cobden Lodge No. 459 on May 12th, accompanied by R.W. Bro. E. J. McCleery. R.W. Bro. Dr. J. A. Dobbie, W. Bro. Howard Carkner and masters from the Ottawa District. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. Arthur Collins in a very happy and cordial manner. A very large number or brethren from surrounding lodges were in attendance, as is usual on occasions of the visits of the District Deputy Grand Master to Cobden. A second degree was exemplified in very good form, all the officers showing careful preparation and good team work.

Cobden Lodge is in fair shape and is making progress. Their fourth degrees are always a delight to the visitors.

I visited Carleton Lodge No. 465 on May 29th. A very large number of visitors accompanied me.

The work was in the third degree, when Bro. A. E. Cavanagh was raised to the sublime degree of a master mason.

Having visited this lodge for several years on the occasions of D.D. Meetings I was most agreeably pleased with the work of the evening, which showed a decided improvement in every detail. Wor. Bro. Dr. W. G. Robertson, the ruling master has a fine grasp of his duties and delivers the ritualistic work very impressively. Wor. Bro. Birch, the Immediate Past Master, who assisted is a very earnest Past Master. All the officers showed evidence of careful preparation and performed accordingly.

This is a very interesting lodge, whose members have through much effort secured a well equipped

lodge and furnished it with taste and completeness. The books of the lodge are well kept by the secretary Bro. Geo. A. Moore.

My last official visit was on June 8th, to Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Eganville, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Dobbie and W. Bro. S. Banning. I motored to Eganville and on our arrival we received a very kind invitation to R.W. Bro. Dr. Reeves' home for dinner, and were most cordially received by himself and family.

The lodge opened promptly at eight o'clock with a large attendance of members and visitors.

There being no candidate the Wor. Master Bro. Geo. R. Shane and his officers exemplified the first degree, using a substitute candidate. The work indicated that the officers are well trained and considering that they have had few candidates for some time, did excellently, showing that they take a keen interest in the work. A fine class of officers are in the chairs, with equally good junior officers following.

Much credit is due to the efforts of the secretary, R.W. Bro. J. Reeves, who in addition to his secretarial duties, spends time and energy in assisting the other officers, in their work.

Finally—My term of office will soon expire, may I again express my thanks to the Masters, Past Masters, and Secretaries for their ever prompt attention and assistance on all occasions.

In accordance with the instructions received, I have endeavoured to perform the duties of my office with the threefold object, of uniformity in the work of the lodges, that masonry's high aims be appreciated, and that in our daily lives we exemplify them.

I have been earnest in my efforts for the betterment of the Craft, and the high ideals of its members. To what degree I have succeeded, time and the brethren will judge.

I give tribute to my predecessors who have guarded and guided this great district. I give tribute with thankfulness to the earnest workers of the district for their loyalty to Grand Lodge and to me. My successor will I know receive none less.

Fraternally submitted,

H. F. HARDY,

D.D.G.M. Ottawa District.

PETERBOROUGH DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers,
Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.
of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

The privilege, to me, of presenting for your consideration the report on Masonry for the past year in the District of Peterborough, is an honor for which I feel deeply grateful.

My sincere thanks and appreciation for the kindly welcome and generous hospitality extended to me and those who accompanied me throughout the district and the good-will shown at every meeting in the district was a splendid tribute to the P.D.D.G.Ms. the Past Masters, the Ruling Masters and our Craft in general. May I hope that these Masonic virtues may continue to be exemplified in the future as in the past.

My first official act on being elected to this exalted office of D.D.G.M. of this district was to appoint Wor. Bro. T. H. Gillespie as the District Secretary; and Bro. Rev. David Wren as District Chaplain, to whom I extend my best thanks for the kindly and efficient manner these brethren assisted me in the work of the district.

Throughout the district we find the secretaries performing their work to a very marked degree of proficiency. Their books and records being retained in a neat and clean manner; and their correspondence carried on with efficiency and dispatch which tends to co-operate in the work of the lodge and district.

The district has quite a strong Past Master's Association, which meets at least twice annually. At these meetings every lodge in the district is well represented; and the efficient work for Masonry receives a stimulation from these meetings.

Rt. Wor. Bro. W. R. Morris, during his tenure of office as D.D.G.M., presented the district with a travelling square, which square is presented from one lodge to another and has been a great factor in keeping the work generally uniform and efficiently exemplified.

My first official visit was to Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, Campbellford, on Oct. 7, 1930, at which time it was the occasion of their seventieth anniversary. The work of the night was most impressive from points of efficiency of officers and in attendance, as well as good fellowship and brotherly love which was shown. Throughout all my visits the same atmosphere of feeling, as well as efficiency of work, was in evidence, and made one feel that Masonry, throughout the district, was being carried on with due regard to the established usages, customs, and landmarks of the Order.

Among the interesting incidents of this district might be mentioned the sixtieth anniversary of Norwood Lodge No. 223, which occasion was fittingly observed on the evening of Nov. 28th, 1930.

On my official visit to Keene Lodge No. 374, on Dec. 18, 1930, I was accompanied by the officers and many members of my Mother Lodge, Peterborough Lodge No. 155, at which time Peterborough Lodge was very happy in presenting to Keene Lodge a beautiful upholstered Master's Lodge Chair.

A very unique incident of my official visit to Havelock Lodge No. 435, on May 18, 1931, was the presence of Wor. Bro. John Anderson accompanied by his three sons, who, on entering the lodge were greeted in truly Masonic customs.

An outstanding event of our year in the work of our district was the visit to Peterborough and the Masons of Peterborough District of our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. R. B. Dargavel, on the evening of April 29, 1931. He gave us a very eloquent ad-

dress and his kind and genial spirit will ever be remembered by those who were so fortunate as to be present and meet the Grand Master here.

May I again express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the brethren of the district for the honor conferred, not only on me, but also on my Mother Lodge in electing me D.D.G.M. of Peterborough District

I shall ever remember with fond recollection the kindness and courtesy, brotherly love and good-will with which I was received by every lodge throughout the district and I bespeak for my successor the same kindly and courteous consideration.

Fraternally submitted,

J. COMSTOCK,

D.D.G.M., Peterborough District.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

My term of office as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master is now ended and it is necessary and fitting that I should give my report on the condition of Masonry as it appears in Prince Edward District. I have endeavoured, faithfully and fearlessly, to do the duty expected of a D.D.G.M., and this, naturally, has not contributed to popularity, but who "escapes a duty—avoids a gain", and I feel I have gained immeasurably and am hoping the district has gained to some extent, as well.

My appointment of Wor. Bro. J. B. Little, a Past Master of 12 years standing, as District Secretary and Bro. (Rev.) C. K. Nicoll, as District Chaplain, proved a happy choice for they accompanied me on my official visits and strengthened my hands, the former with advice, the latter with encouragement. Bro. Nicoll shared with me the honour of the toast to Grand Lodge and its officers, and formed many friendships and an abiding place in the affections of the brethren throughout the district. On two occasions his place was taken by W. Bro. P. Heywood, who delivered carefully prepared addresses and was cordially received. My warmest thanks are due to both these brethren.

At the outset of my term of office, cards were printed and sent to the secretary of each lodge to be distributed, with his summons to every member in the jurisdiction showing the date of my official visits, and on the reverse, the following message:

Brethren:

This card is sent out primarily, to every member in the jurisdiction that none may plead ignorance of

the dates at which the several meetings are to be held.

With this knowledge at hand, it is hoped a very large proportion of the members will avail themselves of the opportunity of attending several or all the meetings, and, in this way, contribute to the well-being of masonry in this district.

It is more than possible that there are brethren, who, "within the compass of their attainments" have some latent talent, which, if used, would materially assist your D.D.G.M. in maintaining the high standard of Masonry, as it exists in Prince Edward District today. Will you contribute?

As one of my predecessors has requested, I would like to have the officers of the lodge open promptly on time, and allow me to enter before the Minutes are read.

And, finally, in view of the economic situation as it exists today, I would suggest that the cost of the Fourth Degree be kept at a minimum.

The above speaks for itself, and while the card system is not original, we commend it to future D.D.G.M's.

All the lodges were visited, officially and unofficially, once and some several times. We found the extra visit at the different lodges educative, and conducive to a better understanding of the quality of the work done, and a better acquaintance with the officers and brethren. The business part of the meeting is often curtailed on the official visit and a certain amount of formality being unavoidable, quite often the work is not seen at its best. Hence the desirability of unofficial visits. It is at these meetings a general discussion of the degree work, in which all join, is beneficial—even to a check-up of the secret work of which there seem to be 57 varieties. Here, also, other degrees than the first are exemplified and

this gives an opportunity for guidance and direction. We predict the time is not far distant when different degrees will be demanded of lodges on official visits and our D.D.G.Ms. will be appointed by our Grand Lodge and our weird system of appointment by rotation will be as extinct as the dodo.

We believe the degree work to be up to the standard for the district and some showed marked improvement during the year, for which they deserve credit. In most lodges the Past Masters give invaluable aid; in some they sit down among the members and assume an air of we-put-you-in-the-chair, now-root-hog-or-die, and that must be depressing; in some we fear they "dominate" the meeting; in others, while not guilty of any breach of fidelity they create an atmosphere that "dampens" the ardor of any young Master who is striving by labour of heart and head to make his year one of progress and of a higher standard. In short, we wonder if we, as Past Masters, are imbued with that spirit of fraternity that gives and gives and stints not, but serves with free and glad abandon, not for the praise of men, but that we may help the other fellow, have kindlier homes in our community, a higher type of citizenship, a finer type of public service because of the presence of our lodge in its midst. Think it over!

In all the lodges, lack of interest seems to be the hurdle they are trying to clear and the lateness of the meetings is given as one cause, which could be overcome by opening on time; a studied preparation of the work of the evening; a grasp of the Constitution and By-laws that purposeless discussions could be eliminated; by the candidate knowing his floor-work perfectly; by knowing how to ballot, as given in the Constitution, and doing it; by working one degree only on the regular meeting and calling more Emergent meetings; by not calling on every visitor to make a speech—this would entail no lack of courtesy, for there is a place before the closing of the lodge where an opportunity presents itself for anyone to contribute to the good of the Order, and advantage would be taken of that, if he cared to speak. This custom is

tenacious of life and dies hard. But the line of Goldsmith's referring to the village preacher, recurs to our mind, he "allur'd to brighter worlds and led the way," and we wonder if, by a careful study of Masonry, and by careful enunciation and pronunciation with a conversational rather than an elocutionary manner of delivery, the work could not be made so "alluring" as to command attention and interest. This would obviate the necessity of demanding attention as we have sometimes heard. Will someone in every lodge "lead the way"? We believe that the work, in the beauty of its English and the purity of its literature, with its archaic forms of expression, has been its appeal through the ages and that will be its appeal in the years to come. We would be loath to see any of its archaic expressions modernized.

There seems to be some misunderstanding among our secretaries about having all the books on hand for inspection. Definite instructions should be sent to them about this, and they should arrange with the district secretary to examine them, not necessarily because it is his desire, but because it is his due as a Grand Lodge representative. We would like to see more uniformity in the Minute Books of the lodge, and as complete a record of each meeting as possible, so that, at any time, an historian could readily obtain material enough for an interesting record of the lodge. We do not favour the writing of the Minutes in the Minute Book as the business proceeds. We have urged all lodges to have a proper annual audit of the books, and have the same embodied in the Minutes.

"We are of the opinion that a very much higher standard of entertainment and good-fellowship is noticeable at the Fourth Degrees, whether banquet or lunch. The duration of these should be until such time as the brethren are satisfied but not satiated.

Your representative had to rule out Ladies' Night on the night of his official visits, which, while resented, was nevertheless respected and this he greatly appreciates.

All lodges should be supplied with the Tyler's Oath as this is the first requisite for a Board of Trial and we thought it rather conspicuous by its absence in most lodges. We believe a whole lot more information should be supplied so that the task could be approached with more confidence.

That secrecy may be observed in lodge work all discussions and differences of opinion pertaining thereto, should be discussed and settled on the floor of the lodge. We are of the opinion, more and more, that they are discussed on the street and in homes and offices and are often not settled amicably anywhere.

For some years I have wondered how any D.D. G.M. could possibly undertake to keep the work in each District uniform. So much is left to the initiative of each lodge, and some are so hard to "budge" preferring to give it as received 25 years ago. The rest are carrying on as they were taught, hoping they are right but confident their method could be improved. May I, without presumption, recommend our Grand Lodge to print a whole host of definite unassailable rulings and let it be known to each lodge that such a work exists.

In conclusion, may I express my grateful thanks to those brethren who made my election possible; to all the lodges for becoming courtesies; to those who gave of their time and talent to assist me. The year has been a strenuous one, but was worth the effort, and, if my work meets the approval of our Grand Lodge, I ask for nothing more satisfying.

Fraternally submitted,

W. B. McCLUNG,

D.D.G.M. Prince Edward District.

SARNIA DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the Sarnia District, and it is with a deep feeling of satisfaction that I present it.

I have found Sarnia District a pleasure to work in as D.D.G.M., and in all my visits found the roads in good condition for motoring. There is a splendid fraternal spirit existing amongst the lodges in the district, and the members extend that spirit to each other at all times.

After I had been installed in office, I appointed W. Bro. S. G. Richardson, of Huron Lodge No. 392, Camlachie, District Secretary, and also appointed R.W. Bro. Canon D. W. Collins, Sarnia, District Chaplain. He having served in this capacity on previous occasions, very graciously consented to assume the responsibilities of that office once again.

I have endeavored to arrange my official visits to the different lodges to correspond with the time and sequence of official meetings held the previous year and have been favored with a hearty co-operation and mutual agreement from all the lodges in the district.

Among the first of my official duties performed was the presenting of a Lodge of Instruction for the district under the auspices of Huron Lodge No. 392, Camlachie, Ontario, on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, October 22, 1930, during which all three degrees were exemplified. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hart and officers of Liberty Lodge No. 419, Sarnia. The second degree was exemplified by W. Bro. McLeash and officers of Arkona Lodge No. 307, Arkona, and the third degree was

exemplified by W. Bro. Pollock and officers of Forest Lodge No. 263, Forest, all of which work was performed in a very creditable manner, and I wish to thank all who contributed in any way to this work and helped so effectively to make this meeting a success.

A banquet was served at 6.00 p.m. with orchestra in attendance. A number of very illuminating and instructive addresses were delivered by some of the prominent leaders in masonry in the district namely, R.W. Bro. Canon D. W. Collins, R.W. Bro. Richard Williamson, R.W. Bro. Wm. McKelvey and others. There were about two hundred members in attendance, consisting of a representative gathering from all the lodges in the district.

During my term of office I have been particularly pleased to see so many P.D.D.G.M.s and P.Ms. present at the meetings in the district and at all my official visits I have been accompanied by visiting brethren and have found the district well represented in whatever lodge I was visiting. I consider this fact worthy of special mention as nothing inspires the younger officers to greater efforts than the interchange of visits with neighboring lodges and the support of the P.Ms. and older members of their home lodges.

I found that all the lodges did excellent work with the exception of two outlying lodges who had the misfortune to be particularly handicapped by unforeseen circumstances on the occasion of my inspection which would explain the few mistakes made. But in all other cases the work was exemplified in such a manner as to at once be highly impressive to the candidate, a pleasure to witness and a credit to the Wor. Masters and officers taking part in it.

I feel that I should especially mention Leopold Lodge No. 397, Brigden, Ontario, for the work and the smart deportment of their officers and much credit is due to the efforts of Wor. Bro. Sherman Parr, and the P.Ms. and officers of Leopold Lodge for this efficiency.

I have witnessed the work exemplified in each of the three degrees, although there was a larger percentage of first and seconds than of the third degree, yet I found the work equally well performed in whatever degree was presented.

I have been very pleased with the type of candidate that the lodges have been taking in, which speaks well for the continuance of the high standards of our craft. At this point may I suggest that the good work done by the lodges in the district reflects a good deal of credit to those in whose hands the destiny of masonry, both in the district as a whole and the lodges in particular, has rested in the preceeding years without robbing the Wor. Masters and officers of the lodges whose particular efforts have brought credit to themselves. With the high calibre of work presented, the intelligent type of junior officers in the chairs and the proven worth of Masters who pass on to a Past Masters chair, to assist and encourage those who follow, I feel that I can safely say that Masonry in the Sarnia District stands in no fear of losing ground, but rather shall become daily a greater influence for good in the everyday life and work of its members.

I would like to mention as a feature of special interest in my mother lodge, Huron No. 392, Cam-lachie, the fact that we have two brothers following each other through the chairs in the persons of Wor. Bro. John Lamont, the presiding Master, and Bro. Archie Lamont, Senior Warden. We have watched these brothers with interest from the commencement of their duties in the minor offices, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that we see them occupying and approaching the chair of King Solomon, and I feel that they have been able to experience something of particularly memorable significance from their co-operation and assistance to one another in their official duties.

A meeting of particular interest to the district was held at Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, on Wednesday evening, March 25, 1931, being the occasion of the dedication of their new lodge rooms.

The Most Worshipful Bro. R. B. Dargavel G.M. assisted by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, and Most Wor. Bro. R. P. Anderson of Port Huron P.G.M. of Michigan and a large number of Grand Lodge officers performed the dedication ceremonies in a most impressive and efficient manner. The ceremonies were attended by some four hundred members of the district.

It was pointed out that 1931 marks the Sixtieth Anniversary of Washington Lodge and a very pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a pipe to W. Bro. Jas. Peat who at eighty-nine years of age is the only living charter member of the lodge. The presentation was made by M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, who congratulated W. Bro. Peat on his long and faithful service as a member of the order for sixty-seven years. In reply W. Bro. Peat gave a remarkably interesting outline of his career as a mason and the early days of Washington Lodge.

In my addresses to the brethren on all occasions, I have endeavored to stress the importance of knowledge and application in Masonry and have found a ready and enthusiastic interest taken by the brethren in any suggestions upholding the ancient traditions and teachings of our society. I have endeavored to leave with the brethren some message of particular application to them in connection with their loyalty to their Mother Lodge.

In conclusion, permit me to say that the condition of Masonry in the Sarnia District is excellent and that the ancient usages and customs are well guarded by the ruling officers.

The year has been one of exceedingly great pleasure to myself and I wish to thank all those who assisted me in my work, all who have helped to make my work pleasant by their kindnesses and may I bespeak the same loyalty for my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

ALFRED HILLIER,
D.D.G.M. Sarnia District.

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

As required by the constitution, I have the honour and privilege to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in South Huron District during the year 1930-1931.

Masonry in South Huron District is in a healthy condition and many of the lodges are carrying on the work in a manner that leaves nothing to be desired, not only in their conduct of the meetings and rendition of the work, but because of the true Masonic spirit that prevails and the practical manner in which it is applied.

While many of the lodges leave no room for criticism there are instances where I believe some pressure should be exerted to infuse new life into their work so that Masonry may not lose its influence in the community.

Unfortunately, through unusual circumstances in my own affairs the great majority of my visits were not made until the Spring and it was not possible to again visit the lodges to which I make reference and I will certainly convey to my successor my observations that he may take whatever action he deems necessary.

The outstanding event of my term of office was the dedication of the new Temple at Stratford and it was an occasion I will long remember. The ceremony was performed by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master assisted by the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and many present and past Grand Lodge officers and it was undoubtedly an inspiration to the 350 Masons who filled the banquet hall to listen to

the messages of the various principal speakers. The Stratford Lodges are to be congratulated on their enterprise and zeal for Masonry in building this beautiful new home and taking possession of it without a cent of debt. My warmest and sincere congratulations are extended to Tecumseh and Stratford Lodges and my earnest hope is, that they may long continue to enjoy their new quarters and radiate from that centre an ever increasing circle of service to their fellow men.

While many events and many brethren may be deserving of special mention it is not my intention to do so at length, but I feel sure any who were present on the occasion of my visit to Tecumseh Lodge will pardon the exception when I particularly congratulate W. Bro. Frank Gibbs and his able staff, nothing finer could be expected and the assistance he received from the Masonic Choir in the use of the Musical Ritual is worthy of special mention.

Stratford lodges are indeed fortunate in the possession of such a valuable asset as the choir undoubtedly is.

I was called on at various meetings to present Life Memberships, Past Master's Jewels and Grand Lodge Certificates all of which gave me great satisfaction. I thoroughly commend the practice of presenting the Immediate Past Master with such a recognition of his services and regret it is not the practice in all the lodges.

Particular pleasure was derived from the presentation of Life Membership Certificates to V.W. Bro. Dann of Granton Lodge and W. Bro. McRae of St. James' Lodge, both of whom have given exceptional service to their respective lodges. I cannot wish them more, than many years of health and strength so that they may continue to be of assistance to their brethren and enjoy the fellowship that is to be found in Masonry.

We are also proud to have in the district the possessor of the Grand Lodge 50 years Past Master's

Jewel in the person of W. Bro. John Wilson of Morning Star Lodge. Not only is he more than 50 years a Past Master but he is still an active member and regular attendant of lodge meetings. This is a "real" rural lodge where the true spirit of Masonry is to be found and which is composed of a body of men second to none anywhere. They have several members well past the allotted span active in their affairs and a tower of strength to the cause of Masonry in this district.

I endeavoured to cement the friendly spirit that exists between South Huron and adjoining districts and for this reason exchanged visits with R.W. Bro. W. H. Rath of London District and R.W. Bro. Ed. Wackett of Wellington District.

I was privileged to visit in Temple Lodge, London, and in Henderson Lodge, Ilderton with R.W. Bro. Rath and in Wilmot Lodge, Baden, with R.W. Bro. Wackett. They in turn paid fraternal visits with myself, the former in Granton and Craig Lodges and the latter at Tecumseh Lodge while both favored us with their presence on my official visit to my "Mother Lodge" all of which were greatly appreciated. On all occasions they were accompanied by many prominent brethren whose presence added greatly to the success of the gatherings. I cannot say too much in appreciation of these fraternal visits.

On the whole the work of the several secretaries is very satisfactory and the books of the various lodges are in excellent condition.

It was my custom to ascertain the extent of local benevolence for this is a matter in which I am deeply interested. Many lodges have a splendid record in this respect while others are neglectful of this important work. This district being principally composed of smaller towns and villages, the opportunities to give assistance locally are not so great as in larger centres of population but I tried to the best of my ability to bring before the brethren the importance of this feature of Masonry.

Several lodges have a definite plan in this regard, for instance, Elma Lodge tries to apportion 10% of their dues to Benevolence while Lebanon Forest gives the interest derived from securities held by the lodge. Both of these plans have much to commend them.

We are most fortunate in South Huron District in having one so deeply interested in this phase of Masonry as R.W. Bro. F. A. Copus to address us so often on this important subject.

A most interesting event was an address by M.W. Bro. Canon Shatford P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. Although the meeting was held under the auspices of Tecumseh Chapter, R.A.M., the banquet when the address was delivered was open to all Masons and was a memorable meeting, one that undoubtedly gave inspiration to all who were privileged to be present.

The visit to my "Mother" Lodge will long be remembered and I hope the enthusiasm shown on that occasion will be of permanent benefit to Lebanon Forest Lodge and Masonry as represented there that evening.

As a demonstration of the loyalty of the fraternity to Grand Lodge and the Most Worshipful the Grand Master as represented by his Deputy in this District it left nothing to be desired. The lodge room could not accommodate the visitors with only the officers of Lebanon Forest Lodge present and the banquet hall was filled to overflowing. The gathering was favored with the presence of R.W. Bros. Rath and Wackett, together with 12 P.D.D.G.M.s the latter being introduced to the brethren in a body, by W. Bros. T. S. Woods and R. G. Seldon. Three V. Wor. Brethren, many Wor. Master's and others from 23 lodges contributed to a most enthusiastic and successful meeting.

W. Bro. H. O. Southcott and his officers conferred a 2nd degree in a most exemplary manner which pleased me greatly.

Reviewing the work of the year, I am much gratified with the reception accorded me on nearly all of my official visits. The attendance was large in every lodge, which adds greatly to the success of the evening. However, it gives a better view if we only get behind this scene and ascertain the average attendance at the regular meetings. It will be necessary to infuse new life in a few instances and I will be glad to discuss the matter with my successor.

My sincere thanks I herewith extend to all for the honour they have paid me. I regard it more as a recognition of the importance of Lebanon Forest Lodge than of my own peculiar qualifications for the office. They have been noted for many years for the accuracy of their work and I am pleased to mention that credit for this goes to their active Past Masters particularly W. Bros. W. W. Taman and E. M. Dignan both able and efficient.

Masonry is still able to perform a useful service to the community; is doing so in South Huron District and can do more, if the brethren will continue to become informed Masons and seek to practice those great principles we teach within our walls. Never were the teachings of our beloved fraternity more necessary in the world than they are today. The principals of Square dealing, Level steps and Upright intentions are essential to bring the world once more to an even balance; and who are more fitted to set this example if we are only true to our trust.

My earnest hope is that during my term of office I may have been of some service to my brethren and that my efforts have not been in vain.

I am sure my successor will have every reason to feel grateful if the brethren of South Huron District accord him the same kindly support that I have received and I bespeak this for him.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS PRYDE,
D.D.G.M. South Huron Dist.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in St. Lawrence District, during my term of office, I desire to tender my sincere thanks to the brethren for the honor they conferred on me, in electing me as the District Deputy Grand Master of this old historic district of which any Mason might be proud to be the representative.

In accepting the office I was cognizant of the fact, that many talented and highly esteemed brethren had preceded me, and I have endeavoured throughout the year, to discharge my duties to the best of my ability, and to maintain and uphold the traditions of this high and important office.

To assist me in the clerical duties pertaining to the office of D.D.G.M. I asked W. Bro. J. L. Callan of Osiris Lodge, Smith Falls, to act as District Secretary.

I was also fortunate in having the counsel and assistance of Rev. Dr. Jas. Semple of Smiths Falls as District Chaplain.

I am greatly indebted to these brethren for their generous and untiring services throughout the year. Wor. Bro. Callan accompanied me on all but one of my official visits. I visited the lodges of the District at least once, and shall ever remember the cordial welcome extended to me on every occasion. Loyalty to Grand Lodge was clearly indicated, evidencing, the high regard in which that august body is held by the lodges of the district.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction to report, that every lodge in the district

appears to be putting forth their best efforts, and working in harmony for the welfare of the members.

The degree work in the various lodges is conferred in a very efficient manner, and I found it necessary only in a few cases to mention some error or omission, and the officers were only too anxious to correct and improve their work.

There was always a good attendance at lodge on my official visits and while some masters commented on the small number of members at their regular meetings still I think this is in a measure being overcome. My suggestions were, that the officers endeavor to conduct the business of the lodge promptly, a perfect condition of the degree work, with a suitable program and light refreshments. This should help to keep up the interest of the members and secure a better attendance.

I have endeavoured to impress on the brethren the importance of living up to their obligation and their regular attendance at lodge, unless sickness or pressing emergencies prevent.

With the object of securing a larger number of members to attend, one lodge in the district, Osiris, at Smiths Falls, are calling their meetings at 6.30 p.m. They have a luncheon, and a special speaker for each meeting, with some vocal and instrumental music. Then at 8 o'clock the lodge is opened, business conducted, degrees conferred and the brethren are through around 10 o'clock. This is the first year this has been tried, but the officers and members (and the members' wives) report it satisfactory.

Thursday, May 21st, 1931, will long be remembered by the brethren of St. Lawrence District, this being the date of the official visit of the Most Worshipful Bro. R. B. Dargavel, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary.

The two Brockville Lodges, Sussex No. 5 and Salem No. 368, were hosts, and had charge of the official reception.

During the afternoon, through the kindness of Bro. Fulford of Brockville, who placed his palatial yacht at the disposal of the Committee, the distinguished guests, and several Past Masters of the District were delightfully entertained by a boat trip through the Thousand Islands, returning to Brockville about 6.30 p.m.

The lodge was opened in the beautiful and commodious temple of the Brockville brethren at 8.00 p.m. I had the honor of presiding in the East, while all the other officers were occupied by Past D.D.G.Ms. of the District.

R.W. Bro. Geo. K. Dewey of Brockville in his usual capable manner introduced the Grand Master who expressed his pleasure at being among his own folk, many of those present having been close friends of the Grand Master for many years.

R.W. Bro. C. M. Forbes in a very pleasing and impressive manner, read an address of welcome and V.W. Bro. Thos. H. Guest presented a beautiful painting on behalf of St. Lawrence District.

The Grand Master in a very touching reply expressed his appreciation to the brethren.

It had been the intention of the Committee to give all the brethren present an opportunity of personally meeting the Grand Master, but owing to the immense number this was deemed inadvisable. Proceeding to the banquet room after the lodge was duly closed an excellent repast which had been prepared by the Junior Wardens and their assistants, was thoroughly enjoyed by the brethren.

In an earnest and forcible manner the Grand Master held the close attention of the large gathering

while he delivered an address which merited and received the greatest applause from all present.

The Grand Master informed us, that this was the last District in which he was to hold a meeting, having visited all the other districts previously. It was the consensus of opinion, that he surely must have been saving his masterpiece for the St. Lawrence brethren.

R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, captured the audience by his humor, and then proceeded to deliver a masterly address on Freemasonry.

The District Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Semple replied to the toast to the visitors.

R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, M.P. of Toronto, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants was present and expressed his pleasure at being able to join in doing honor to the Grand Master.

The meeting was brought to a close, all voting it one of the best Masonic gatherings ever held in the district.

Since its inception a number of years ago, this association has been the means of bringing a large number of the rulers in the craft together, to discuss matters of Masonic interest.

Two meetings were held during the year, one at Spencerville in September and one at Smiths Falls, on June 18th.

The brethren listened with a great deal of pleasure to an address by Rev. Bro. McLeod of Brockville on "The Third Degree in Masonry" at the Spencerville meeting, after the general business and the election of officers had taken place.

At our June meeting, we had as special speaker, Rev. Bro. Lorne Pierce a former Past Master of

Harmony Lodge, Delta, who gave us a most delightful and interesting address, his theme being the need for more information and education in Masonic matters. At the June meeting, the members select a candidate for D.D.G.M. This arrangement has been followed for a number of years and has been very satisfactory.

Instead of holding Lodges of Instruction, the Executive Committee of the Association, submits a proposed exchange of visits for every lodge in the district, the dates of the visits are to be mutually arranged. This has been found to work out to the satisfaction of the lodges, and tends not only to elevate and perfect the officers in the conferring of degrees, but creates and fosters a fraternal spirit throughout the district which might otherwise not be obtained.

The Association has gone on year after year increasing in interest to the members, many of whom have to come a long distance, but every obstacle seems to be overcome so as to enable them to be in attendance. To our efficient secretary V.W. Bro. Thos. H. Guest, who at present, I am sorry is not enjoying the best of health, is due much of its success. I am sure I express the hope of every Mason in the District, that he may soon be restored to his former strength and vigor.

On Friday, Oct. 17th, 1930 the ceremony of Dedication and Consecration of Fidelity Lodge No. 650, Toledo, was conducted by the Most Wor. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, Grand Master, assisted by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary and several Past Grand Officers of the District. Although the evening was dark and wet, a large number of the brethren of the district were present. After the ceremony all adjourned to the banquet hall where addresses of the highest order were delivered by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, which were greatly appreciated.

Fidelity Lodge is to be congratulated on their new home and the quality of its membership.

Space will not permit me to portray in full, Saturday May 2nd, 1931, which proved to be a red letter day in the history of St. Francis No. 24, my Mother Lodge, when they were hosts to Prince Consort Lodge No. 52 under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, D.G.M. of our own Grand Lodge was with us. We were pleased to receive and welcome Most Wor. Bro. W. M. Couper, Grand Master of Quebec, M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. D. A. Hinchcliffe, D.D.G.M. of Montreal. The officers of Prince Consort Lodge exemplified the second degree which was interesting and impressive to the large gathering present.

Excellent addresses were given by the distinguished visitors.

This was probably the largest Masonic gathering ever held in Smith Falls. Brethren from all parts of the St. Lawrence District being present. The Wor. Master and Officers of St. Francis Lodge deserve a great deal of credit for the very thorough manner in which they carried through the whole proceedings. A return visit is anticipated.

As my last service as D.D.G.M. it was my privilege and pleasure to install the officers of Harmony Lodge No. 370 at Delta on June 24th, 1931. I was accompanied and assisted by Wor. Bros. G. H. Saunders, C. Grant Jones and James Grant.

In bringing my report to a close, I wish again to thank the brethren of the district for the cordial manner in which they have received me on all occasions, and I will carry with me in future, a wonderfully pleasant memory of my term of office and trust that the same Masonic feeling will be extended to my successor in office.

Fraternally submitted,

C. W. McBRIDE,

D.D.G.M. St. Lawrence District.

ST. THOMAS DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers,
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M.
of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I assure you it is a very great pleasure to submit at this time a report on the condition of Masonry in St. Thomas District for the year 1930-1931.

It is my desire to express to the brethren of the district sincere appreciation of the great honor conferred upon me and my own lodge for my unanimous election last July to represent the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. I also wish to acknowledge the helpful advice of the Past D.D.G.M.s and the members of the district in general which has rendered my term of the office the outstanding pleasure of my life and I hope an advantage to the district.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. A. Petherick of McColl Lodge No. 386, District Secretary and I take this opportunity of thanking him for his untiring efforts in making the year such a success.

On November 5th, I was present at the 60th Anniversary of Cameron Lodge No. 232, Dutton, and had the pleasure of introducing the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel, who delivered a very interesting and helpful address.

On November 26th in the evening by the direction of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I had the honor of dedicating, McColl Lodge No. 386. I was assisted by fourteen Grand Lodge Officers and 12 Masters and Past Masters. The brethren of McColl Lodge are to be congratulated on their fine new Masonic lodge rooms.

On Sunday, June 21st, I had the honor of being present and assisting in the ceremony of unveiling and

dedicating a beautiful Memorial Window in the Old St. Thomas Church. The inscription upon this window is as follows:

"To the Glory of God and in honored memory of the Pioneer Masons of the Talbot Settlement, Erected, 1931.

St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44; Talbot Lodge, No. 546;

St. David's Lodge, No. 302

Official visits were as follows:

On Oct. 2nd, 1930, I paid my first official visit which was to St. Thomas Lodge No. 44. I had the honor of being presented by R.W. Bros. J. A. Campbell and J. A. Ryckman. The W. Master, W. Bro. C. R. Hales was in the chair and he with his officers conferred the first degree in a very credible manner. The Secretary's books which were kept by R.W. Bro. Fred W. Judd were found in excellent order. I also visited with this lodge unofficially on four occasions, namely: District Night, Grand Lodge Officers Night, and also on the occasion of the visit of the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, and again on Military Night when the officers chairs were filled by military men of the district. This lodge is doing a great deal in promoting a splendid fraternal, Masonic spirit throughout the district.

On Oct. 8th, 1930, I visited Cameron Lodge No. 232, Dutton and was introduced by R.W. Bro. A. E. Roberts and W. Bro. A. S. Backus. W. Bro. D. Kirkland, the W. Master and his staff of officers conferred the first degree in a very efficient manner. The books of the Secretary, W. Aro. M. S. Claus, are well kept. This lodge has very spacious quarters and are doing a great deal to promote the fraternal spirit throughout the district. I also had the honor of installing the officers of Cameron Lodge on St. John's Night, Dec. 27th.

On Oct. 31st, 1930, I visited Prince of Wales Lodge No. 171, at Fingal. I had the honor of being

presented by R.W. Bro. C. P. Silcox and W. Bro. J. A. McIntyre. This lodge has a very efficient staff of officers and they are carrying on the work very credibly, especially under the handicap of having to meet at Fingal owing to having lost their lodge room by fire about two years ago. The books of the secretary as kept by W. Bro. J. C. Dundas are in excellent condition.

On Nov. 12th, 1930, I visited Rodney Lodge No. 411, at a special meeting. I was introduced by W. Bros. John A. McDonald and J. B. Stinson. The First degree was conferred by W. Bro. H. Taylor and his officers in a creditable manner. I examined the books and found them well kept by the secretary, Bro. O. J. Davies. Rodney Lodge has a beautiful new lodge room and is in a prosperous condition.

On Dec. 1st, 1930, I visited my home lodge, McColl No. 386, and the brethren gave me a royal reception. I was introduced by W. Bros. D. McKillop and A. Pesterick. A very pleasant part of this visit was the fact that my son Wor. Bro. J. R. Milner, whom I had installed into the chair was Wor. Master. The Second degree was conferred in a very splendid manner. The books of the secretary, Bro. A. Smith, are splendidly kept.

On Dec. 9th, 1930, I visited St. Mark's Lodge No. 94 at Port Stanley, and had the honor of being introduced by R.W. Bro. J. H. Burke and V.W. Bro. A. J. Nicholas. There was no degree work but was a good attendance of the brethren and a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in perfect order. The books are in good condition and reflect great credit upon the secretary, W. Bro. H. G. Goodhue.

On March 3rd, 1931, I visited Warren Lodge No. 120, at Fingal. I was introduced by R.W. Bro. C. P. Silcox and W. Bro. Munro. The Second degree was exemplified in a most credible and impressive manner by the Worshipful Master and his excellent

staff of officers. This lodge has beautiful quarters. The books are well kept and the lodge is in a very progressive condition.

On March 26th, 1931, I visited Talbot Lodge No. 546, St. Thomas, and had the honor of being introduced by R.W. Bro. H. E. Freeman and V.W. Bro. W. A. Becker. The first degree was most beautifully exemplified by the W. Master, W. Bro. Clarence Trull and his officers. There was a large attendance present and a very profitable and enjoyable evening spent by all present. The books of the lodge are in good order and the lodge is showing marked progress.

On April 1st, 1931, I visited Dufferin Lodge No. 364, at Melbourne and was introduced by W. Bros. J. L. Stephenson and A. Carruthers. The second degree was conferred by the W. Master, W. Bro. Geo. R. McMillan. Notwithstanding the inclement weather the brethren were in attendance in goodly numbers and a very splendid evening was spent and the spirit of Masonry is good. The books also are very well kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. Gentlemen.

On April 16th, 1931, I visited St. David's Lodge No. 302, St. Thomas and was introduced by R.W. Bro. J. H. Burke and W. Bro. Chas. Scrase. There was a very large attendance at this meeting and the first degree was exemplified in a most beautiful manner. The Wor. Master, W. Bro. C. D. Lloyd and his staff of officers are doing a great work in promoting the true spirit of Masonry which is prevalent throughout the district. The books as kept by the secretary, W. Bro. W. H. Stapleton are in fine condition.

On April 29th, 1931, I visited Malahide Lodge No. 140, and had the honor of being introduced by R.W. Bro. H. E. Freeman and R.W. Bro. Smith, visiting D.D.G.M. from Saskatchewan. There was a very large attendance of the brethren and the Second degree was exemplified upon two candidates by W.

Bro. F. H. Butcher and his staff of officers in a very splendid manner. The books of the lodge are kept by W. Bro. A. E. Richardson in a very credible manner.

In closing my report, I wish to make mention of the fact that nine of the lodges in my district were officially visited a half century ago by my father, the late R.W. Bro. Wm. Milner when he was D.D.G.M. in 1881 for London District No. 2.

I also wish to make mention of the P.M. Association of St. Thomas District, which only a little over a year since organizing is a real live institution and doing a real Masonic service.

Again I thank the brethren throughout the district for their kind co-operation and the many courtesies extended to me during my term of office, and I also thank the brethren of my own lodge who have accompanied me in goodly numbers on all my visits and not forgetting to bespeak for my successor the same hearty support which has been so cheerfully extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. MILNER,

D.D.G.M. St. Thomas District.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to present herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of Temiskaming District.

On my return to the district my first duty was to appoint a secretary in the person of W. Bro. H. B. Hawley, and before going further I wish to express my appreciation for the services he has rendered and the assistance he has been able to offer during the past year.

It has been my privilege during the year to visit each of the eleven lodges at least once.

My first visit was to Elk Lake Lodge, which is the home of my predecessor in office, R.W. Bro. J. Coghill, which was the occasion of the installation of officers and I was called upon to assist. The whole evening was a very pleasant one. Those who were present as visitors enjoyed the well known hospitality of Elk Lake Lodge. It was again my pleasure to visit the lodge officially on June 12th, 1931, and saw the officers confer the first degree. Their work was excellent and I found everything quite in order. A very pleasant banquet was served, it being quite evident through the whole of the evening that the lodge had been in the guiding hand of an experienced director.

I had a call to visit Spruce Falls, December 8th, 1931, for the purpose of installing the officers. W. Bro. J. P. S. Ballantyne was invested as Immediate P.M. and W. Bro. T. H. Scott was duly installed as W.M. and even though this is a particularly young lodge, No. 648, they have in the person of W. Bro.

Scott a very capable master and I did not feel at all concerned as to the welfare of the lodge, knowing that it was in such very capable hands. I was not able to return during my term of office, but as I was in touch with them several times, I felt that everything was going on 100%. They have turned in a very good report and I must congratulate them on their progress.

On April 16th, 1931, I made my official visit to the Temiskaming Lodge, New Liskeard, Ont., and was received by W. Bro. Wm. C. Barton, W.M. The lodge was called in regular form and the first degree was exemplified in a very capable manner. This being the oldest lodge in the district, No. 462, naturally the official visit of the D.D.G.M. became more or less a matter of form. A banquet was served at the close and a very enjoyable toast list presented. It was again my privilege to visit this lodge on June 24th, 1931, for the purpose of installing the officers and W. Bro. Hugh Cuthbertson, a real Scotchman, was installed as W.M. His conception of the duties which will devolve upon him is beyond question and I know that the affairs of Temiskaming Lodge will always be in order during the coming year.

On May 4th, 1931, I paid my official visit to Silver Lodge, which is the largest lodge by way of membership in the district and also it being my Mother Lodge afforded me a great deal of pleasure. Through something unavoidable the candidate was unable to be present and the time which would have been devoted to the conferring of the degree was occupied by way of a discussion on the rulings of Grand Masters, which proved very instructive and entertaining. Silver Lodge is enjoying very excellent management as they have for their W.M., W. Bro. H. E. Tomney, who is a P.M. of many year's standing and he is to be congratulated on taking over the duties of Master when he had already received the honor which that office is able to bestow. It would be natural to expect that owing to the condition of the silver market that Silver Lodge would be suffering materially but on going over their report I find that they have come

through a very satisfactory year. It was great pleasure for me to sit in my Mother Lodge in the capacity of D.D.G.M. and enjoy the sociability of the brethren, many of whom I have known for many years.

My official visit to Haileybury Lodge No. 485, on May 7th, 1931, was a very pleasant one. The third degree was conferred and among the Past Officers present were R.W. Bro. N. J. MacAuley and R.W. Bro. Dr. Haentschel. W. Bro. Canon Hincks as Master of the lodge had arranged his work in such a way that it would be physically impossible for me to do other than return to you a most favorable report of the workings of this lodge.

I made my official visit to the Golden Beaver Lodge No. 528, on May 13th, 1931, it being the occasion of their installation of officers and as R.W. Bro. N. J. MacAuley has been installing master of their lodge since its conception with the exception of two years, he was naturally the proper person in the proper place and I had the honor of assisting him in the work. W. Bro. J. Morrison was relieved of his responsibilities of master and I had the pleasant duty of presenting him with a Past Master jewel. W. Bro. J. E. Gurnell was installed as W.M. He has had varied experience in Masonic work and I have no hesitation in saying that Golden Beaver Lodge will prosper under his direction. W. Bro. W. White and W. Bro. E. L. Longmore and several of the other P.Ms. were present, as I understand they are almost invariably on the occasion of the regular meetings of the lodge.

After visiting Golden Beaver Lodge on Wednesday, I proceeded to South Porcupine and visited with the brethren of Porcupine Lodge on Thursday, May 14th, 1931. W. Bro. Thos. Fell, was in the chair and R.W. Bro. E. J. Mason was present and in his usual capable manner, assisted with the general arrangements of the evening. The first degree was conferred, the candidate being a young medical doctor. Porcupine Lodge is doing very well.

My visit to Doric Lodge No. 623, in an official capacity did not seem to convey to my mind the necessity of watching the proceedings very closely as I am quite familiar with their system, I having been the first Senior Warden and the second master of that lodge. They have a very favorable report to present this year and practically all of the P.Ms. are present at all the meetings of the lodge. W. Bro. R. A. Bilborough is very familiar with the duties which have been assigned to him as W.M. and the Grand Master need not have any concern respecting the progress of Doric Lodge.

My official visit to Englehart Lodge was on June 8th, 1931. R.W. Bro. James Patterson was present and still takes a very active part in all that matters to Englehart Lodge. W. Bro. J. Hill assisted by his officers conferred the First degree in a very capable way. The brethren then repaired after the usual remarks to the banquet hall where the ladies had prepared for us a suitable spread which we enjoyed immensely and I again extend to the Grand Master my confidence in the capabilities of the officers of Englehart Lodge.

On Friday, June 19th, 1931, I was present at the meeting of Abitibi Lodge No. 540, on the occasion of their annual Father and Sons banquet. The lodge was open and the First degree conferred, then the brethren proceeded to the banquet hall to enjoy many specially prepared addresses presented by the brethren to the coming generation. There were about twenty-six boys present, I not having one of my own, a friend of mine supplied me with a very fine specimen and I think it was the most interesting evening of his life. R.W. Bro. F. K. Ebbitt was the originator of this educational Masonic work and the success he has attained was quite evident. The contributions of the various brethren for the benefit of the boys was much more suitable to their needs than anything I have ever heard. My report as regard to this lodge is excellent.

June 26th, 1931, was the occasion of a very pleasant official visit to Cochrane Lodge No. 530 No.

degree work was conferred as it was a very warm night and the installation of officers was suffice for the indoor sport of the evening. W. Bro. W. W. Mitchell was installed as W.M., and is following in the footsteps of W. Bro. H. M. McNutt. I was informed by W. Bro. Mitchell that they propose building a new lodge room during the coming year as they feel their old one which they are now occupying is not adequate for their work. I was assisted on this occasion by brethren from Smooth Rock Falls, Timmins and Iroquois Falls. Thus was ended the regular official visits of the year.

As a final summary of the year's activities in masonry in the North Country wherein we believe are the men who work with stone and steel and brass, as did their ancient brethren who organized this great fraternity, and who will maintain and uphold those same genuine tenants that were present in the beginning and will continue to the end. No doubt there will be a slackening in the progress of the lodges in all the districts this year, so far as numbers of new members are concerned and I have no doubt that you are sufficiently aware of conditions as they exist without my going further into this matter, for it is my earnest belief that the less advertising that is given to the situation known as depression, the sooner will it be forgotten and the sooner we will be back enjoying the same prosperity that is due to those who build upon a firm foundation and with upright intentions.

And may the Most High prosper our united endeavors.

Fraternally submitted,

D. L. CRAMP,

D.D.G.M. Temiskaming Dist.

TORONTO DISTRICT "A"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M., of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Toronto District "A" for the year 1930-1931.

It is my desire to again express my appreciation to the brethren of the district for the confidence they have placed in me in electing me to the honourable position of D.D.G.M. I can assure them that my term of office has been rich in interesting experiences, and the many kindnesses extended to me by the brethren of the district and the brethren of the other three Toronto districts has made it one of the happiest years of my life. The brethren of my mother lodge, River Park Lodge No. 356, are very grateful to have had the honour of having the office of D.D.G.M. extended to one of its members.

I was indeed very fortunate in securing the services of W. Bro. E. E. King of River Park Lodge as the District Secretary. His intimate knowledge of bookkeeping has proved to be most valuable to the secretaries of the various lodges throughout the district; the secretaries did not hesitate in seeking information from him, so that the records of their respective lodges might be in accord with the high standard of Masonry that manifested itself everywhere, much of which was due to the able leadership and administrative ability of the Worshipful Masters, supported by willing officers and a membership which takes an active interest in the work of the craft. In addition to the many informal visits in this and other districts, he accompanied me on all occasions when I inspected a lodge. He carefully examined the records of the twenty-nine lodges in the district, offering suggestions which he considered might abridge the work of the secretaries and still be complete in every detail. His

kindliness and good nature was much appreciated by the brethren and his keen interest in the duties to which he was assigned was a source of great help to me in performing the pleasant duties of the D.D.G.M. in Toronto District "A".

It was a pleasure for me to appoint W. Bro. H. Earl of Mississauga Lodge No. 524 to act as District Chaplain. It was an added pleasure to make this appointment as Mississauga Lodge is the daughter of River Park Lodge.

The handsome contributions that have been made by the lodges of the district to the Memorial Benevolent Fund is evidence that the brethren realize that with great privileges there also go great responsibilities. Much of the credit for the splendid reception with which the appeal on behalf of that worthy cause met in Toronto District "A" goes to my worthy predecessors, R.W. Bros. H. J. Alexander, W. J. Moore, Smith Shaw and E. A. Peaker, under whose able leadership the ground was prepared and who did not spare their time or talents in enlightening the brethren as to the necessity of a greater benevolent activity within the Craft. Cognizant of the valuable services that R.W. Bro. E. A. Peaker rendered to the Craft during his term of office, I was particularly pleased at having the signal honour at Parkdale Lodge on November 14, 1930, in the presence of a large gathering of ruling masters of presenting him with the regalia of his office, the gift of the district he served so faithfully and successfully. On the same occasion, R.W. Bro. Peaker, on behalf of the district presented V.W. Bro. J. H. Mills, who had served him so faithfully as District Secretary, with the regalia of an Assistant Grand Secretary.

In accordance with Section 249 of the Book of Constitution, I made a formal visit to Memorial Lodge No. 652, on Sept. 20, 1930, and beg to report that I found this lodge had fulfilled all requirements necessary for consecration and dedication. On October 1st, 1930, the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, assisted by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan,

Grand Secretary and a large number of present and past Grand Lodge officers consecrated and dedicated the lodge. The impressiveness of the ceremony, the large attendance and the inspiring addresses delivered by the Grand Master and others at the banquet table, will no doubt make this night go down in the history of Memorial Lodge as most significant. I inspected this lodge on May 6th, 1931, and witnessed a splendid exemplification of the first degree under the direction of R.W. Bro. H. J. Alexander, ably assisted by R.W. Bro. Smith Shaw, V. Wor Bro. W. A. Ross and other Past Masters. The junior officers appear to be fully conscious of the duties and responsibilities attached to any office in a Masonic Lodge.

I attended many Senior Warden's nights at which R.W. Bro. T. K. Wade, Grand Senior Warden presided. These meetings presented an opportunity to the Senior Wardens of becoming acquainted with each other as well as opportunities of exchanging ideas to methods of improving conditions in their respective lodges and thus render a greater service to their lodges and to the Craft as a whole during their term of office. A wonderful spirit of good fellowship and co-operation between the future ruling Masters developed at these meetings.

There were many interesting and instructive meetings held during the year, such as Past Master's nights, Senior Warden's nights, anniversaries, Grand Lodge nights, etc., all of which tended to stimulate the interest of the younger members and at the same time instruct them masonically and otherwise. Space will not permit me to comment on many of these outstanding meetings. Of particular interest to me were the anniversaries which I had the privilege to attend, for on each occasion most interesting facts were disclosed by the historian of the lodge. On November 18th, 1930, Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton, celebrated her sixtieth anniversary, and it was a real treat to listen to the history of this lodge as related by a pioneer in Ionic Lodge, V. W. Bro. W. J. Fenton. Telegrams and letters from all parts of America were read at the festive board, expressing regrets of members unable to be there for various reasons, but wish-

ing the lodge success and prosperity. On Nov. 4, 1930, Stanley Lodge, the pioneer lodge in West Toronto, celebrated her fortieth anniversary. R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, a pioneer and stalwart in the growth of Masonry in this area gave a very interesting account of the history of the lodge, relating the achievements it accomplished under trying circumstances, and concluded with an appeal for still greater masonic accomplishments, which inspired the hearts of the brethren with a desire to great activity in the next ten years. At the celebrating of the fifteenth anniversary of High Park Lodge, No. 531, on October 6th, 1930, the ruling Master, W. Bro. T. Ingram, had the unique pleasure of initiating his son into Masonry. It must indeed be a moment of pride in the life of a father to be privileged to receive his son into a masonic lodge. At the tenth anniversary of Fidelity Lodge, the Grand Master was presented with a certificate of life membership in the lodge. On this occasion, the Grand Master delighted the brethren with an instructive and masterly address. I have mentioned these meetings in this report, as they seemed to appeal to me in various ways. They laid bare the past, reunited the members, brought out the old guard and gave the members an inspiration to greater service for the future.

I am pleased to report that, assisted by the District Secretary, it was my great privilege to inspect 28 of the 29 lodges comprising Toronto District "A". On each and every occasion I was most favourably impressed by the excellent manner in which the degree work was carried out. There seemed to be a keen and healthy competition between the lodges of the district as to excellency of work and the result was splendid work in every lodge. Too much credit cannot be given to the Ruling Masters in the district for their activity in awakening the interest of the members of their respective lodges in masonic work. My work of inspection was of a very pleasant nature for the officers usually left very little to be criticized. I was particularly fortunate in being the D.D.G.M. this year, when the lodges were blessed with such splendid types of men to preside over them. There is a great diversity as to methods of keeping lodge

records, some of which are hardly in accordance with modern business methods. There seems to be a definite need for some uniform system of book-keeping throughout the whole of this Grand Jurisdiction.

The duties of my office were made very pleasant through the harmony that prevailed and the splendid spirit of co-operation that existed between the officers and members. The many courtesies extended to me by the brethren will ever remain burnished in the garden of my memories.

On May 29th, 1931, River Park Lodge No. 356, experienced an evening which has crowned all previous ones in her half century of existence, when the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, honoured the lodge with a visit and relieved the District Deputy Grand Master of inspecting his mother lodge. Practically all the ruling Masters of the district were present, as well as many others from other districts, to witness the inspection by the Grand Master and so this meeting actually served the same purpose that a lodge of instruction fulfills, but more effectively, I believe. On this occasion, the Grand Master delivered one of his usual eloquent and inspiring addresses, which was much appreciated by all.

The brethren of River Park Lodge will never forget the acts of kindness extended to them by M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel. Personally, also, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to him for his ever ready words of advice and encouragement and his many kindly and patient considerations towards me.

And now, as I am about to lay down the gavel, I wish once more to express my gratitude to the brethren for the many kindnesses I have received at their hands. If your D.D.G.M. and the ruling Masters of Toronto District "A" have been instrumental in contributing anything for the benefit of Masonry, we are indeed happy; if not, we feel that there is some consolation in believing that we have done our best.

Fraternally submitted,

H. W. GERHART,
D.D.G.M. Toronto District A

TORONTO DISTRICT "B"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report upon the condition of Masonry in Toronto District "B" and I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the honor bestowed upon me and Queen City Lodge by the brethren of this district in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M.

My first official duty was to appoint Worshipful Bro. Thomas Swain of Queen City Lodge as District Secretary. and his assistance and loyalty to me as well as his efficient services to the District were very much appreciated by every lodge secretary and the D.D.G.M.

I had the honor, on Friday October 17th, at Bay of Quinte Lodge to be received by W. Bro. W. Harwood and was privileged to present to my predecessor R. W. Bro. Morley E. McKenzie his regalia as P.D.D.G.M. which was so well earned by him and also to honor V. W. Bro. F. Ketcheson the newly appointed Grand Director of Ceremonies.

I was tendered a reception by Queen City Lodge on October 1st, and had the pleasure of meeting all the Senior Wardens of the District, and to W. Bro. W. R. Cockburn I express my sincere thanks for his kindness to me on this occasion.

My first official inspection was at Riverdale Lodge when the Third degree was conferred in a very impressive manner, by W. Bro. J. R. Mellway and his officers.

My first official visit in the country was to Brock Lodge at Cannington, when the first degree was ably conferred by W. Bro. A. O. Mix and his officers.

This lodge is in a very flourishing condition and a feature was the number of elderly brethren in attendance.

Dentonia Lodge No. 651 was consecrated and instituted on October 7th by Most Worshipful R. B. Dargavel assisted by a large delegation of Grand Lodge Officers, past and present. This baby lodge is growing rapidly and a feature of the evening was the presentation of the V. of S.L. by the first Master of Dentonia Lodge, W. Bro. John Dawes, and also another presentation of the Square and Compass, and Book Markers by the son and nephew of the Worshipful Master. Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel gave a very interesting and instructive speech on this outstanding night in Dentonia Lodge. Their annual inspection was very favorable. A son of the ruling master W. Bro. H. A. Miller being the candidate.

A Memorial Service for the honoring of our late R.W. Bro. Dr. Walters was held on Sunday, October 29th, 1930, in the new temple on Chisholm Ave. The service was conducted by R.W. Bro Rev. Baynes Reed, and the attendance was very large, and well represented by Grand Lodge and constituent lodges.

Zeredatha Lodge No. 220 has a very unique lodge room, having a large number of symbolic pictures on their walls, the work of one of the Past Masters. These pictures are works of art and could not be duplicated. W. Bro. J. Low, the youthful W. Master, is to be congratulated for the splendid condition of his lodge.

King Edward Lodge at Sunderland has a remarkably fine temple which is a credit to the Craft. On their inspection night V.W. Bro. Dr. Oliver was presented with Grand Lodge Regalia, the gift of the officers of Georgina Lodge, Toronto, the presentation being made by R.W. Bro. H. C. Tugwell and W. Bro. John Curtis.

During 1931 I visited all the remaining lodges in the district and found the lodges all in a flourishing

condition with well trained officers in charge of the various lodges. As it is impossible for me to mention all the lodges due to the lack of space, I would like to mention some of the outstanding nights which are especially interesting and worthy of record.

The annual Irish Night held at John Ross Robertson Lodge under the able direction of W. Bro. D. W. Markham was indeed worthy of mention. The perfect work of the officers in the lodge room and the entertainment provided by their own orchestra and special soloist will not likely ever be forgotten by the D.D.G.M.

Orient Lodge, as usual, offered a fine contribution to the district by good work under W. Bro. J. Gallagher, and a rather novel entertainment provided by W. Bro. J. Lomas and his assistants, also the annual Christmas Tree, for the brethren, was well received.

Coronati Lodge held its annual Armistice Night in November, and it was one of the most impressive Ceremonies I have witnessed. Their work in the annual inspection was excellent. W. Bro. Sydney Lambert has a good staff of officers, and has a very large number of past masters assisting him.

Canada Lodge under W. Bro. Dr. White is indeed worthy of mention, as they are doing excellent work in benevolence., and they are making a serious attempt to instruct the brethren in Masonic education.

Queen City Lodge was inspected by R.W. Bro. W. R. Scott of District "D" who praised W. Bro. W. R. Cockburn and his officers for their excellent work, and congratulated the brethren for the large attendance at every meeting which has been a feature of the lodge.

Brougham Union Lodge had an extra attraction on their Inspection Night. W. Bro. Baxter from Minnesota U.S.A. after an absence of fifty-three years

visited his Mother Lodge and gave a very interesting talk on the Neighborhood of Claremont and Masonry in Minnesota.

Caledonia Lodge is in a flourishing condition, and their annual church parade was well attended.

Scarboro Lodge, U.D., has erected a temple at Agincourt, a credit to the Craft and to themselves, and are ably directed by W. Bro. G. Scott.

St. Aidan's Lodge and Ionic Lodge are both lodges that excell in regard to their practise of benevolence and in Masonic education.

Acacia and Mimosa Lodges are happy in their new temple, and are progressing favorably.

St. Andrew's, Todmorden, Richardson, Stevenson, Imperial, Markham Union, Beeches, Doric and Doric Pickering, Birchcliffe, and St. Johns Lodges were inspected by myself and the district secretary, and were found to be well officered and well attended.

In conclusion I wish to thank W. Bro. G. G. Spracklin, W. Bro. A. H. Downs, W. Bro. John Ness, W. Bro. Sam Gunn, W. Bro. R. Honeyford, and Bro. Mack Taylor of Bay of Quinte for their loyal and constant attendance at so many inspections.

All of which I herewith submit for your consideration and approval.

Yours fraternally,

W. A. MATHESON,

D.D.G.M. Toronto Dist. "B"

TORONTO DISTRICT "C"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the condition of Masonry in Toronto District "C" for the Masonic year just ending.

My first official duty was to appoint as District Secretary, W. Bro. W. W. Ash, an old friend and brother, with whom I have worked in the vineyard of Masonry for a number of years. His comradeship was always a source of delight. His genial disposition, his thorough knowledge of his duties, and his promptness in performing the same, made him an ideal secretary, and lightened my task to a great extent. The schedule of inspections prepared by him were fulfilled without a single change.

I cannot speak too highly of the splendid work accomplished by my predecessors. The general uniformity of the work throughout the District bears witness to the fact that these distinguished brethren taught their lessons well. Their activities in connection with the Memorial Benevolent Fund are worthy of commendation. To them can be attributed credit for a very large measure of success attained in the district, by their constantly sowing the seeds of knowledge surrounding the appeal, and impressing upon the brethren the necessity of this Fund as the only practical means of alleviating the anguish of those in distress.

It was with very great pleasure that I accepted an invitation to attend Oakwood Lodge on September 8th, 1930, where I had the honor of investing my immediate predecessor, R.W. Bro. Wm. McTavish, with the regalia of his office. He, in turn, invested V.W. Bro. S. H. McElwain, Past District Secretary,

with the regalia of Grand Steward. The large attendance of the Lodge members and visiting brethren on this occasion is a tribute to the high regard held for these two enthusiastic and well skilled Masons.

On the evening of September 24th, 1930, the eight rural lodges situated in the district tendered to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master a group reception, under the auspices of Malone Lodge, Sutton, at which reception I had the honor of presiding. As a token of the esteem in which the Most Worshipful Brother is held by these lodges, R.W. Bro. John G. McDonald, on their behalf, presented to him a beautiful landscape painting. The large attendance, which fortunately was anticipated, made it necessary for the brethren to repair to a commodious pavilion at Jackson's Point, some two miles distant, for the banquet. The address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master was as usual, most inspiring and instructive, and greatly appreciated by all present. A rather unique feature in connection with this reception was that among the distinguished brethren present were two highly esteemed Past Grand Masters, viz.: M.W. Bros. E. T. Malone and John A. Rowland, and that two of the participating lodges bear their honored names.

I accepted an invitation to attend York Lodge, on January 16th, when a reception was tendered to the Prime Minister of Ontario, V.W. Bro. Geo. Hon. Geo. S. Henry, who was Master of the lodge in 1914. This grand old lodge has many members who have distinguished themselves in various spheres of endeavor, and is a pillar of strength to Masonry in the northern end of this city. Some few years ago it was the only lodge meeting in the York Masonic Temple, now there are no less than eleven, eight of which belong to this district. All these young lodges are thriving and making splendid progress, and are real assets to our institution.

It was my privilege and pleasure on January 24th, to visit unofficially, Grenville Lodge, accompanied by the other District Deputies of the Toronto Districts, when an event of an unusual nature took

place, and is worthy of special mention. The occasion was marked by the initiation into our Order of two sons of our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, who presided during the conferring of the degree. A particularly large number of brethren were present, among whom were no less than ninety Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers, as well as a number of distinguished visitors from Buffalo. Opportunity was taken at this splendid gathering by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and other executive Officers of Grand Lodge, to recognize the great work of our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, in writing and compiling the "History of the Grand Lodge of Canada". On behalf of Grand Lodge, Most Worshipful Brother Dargavel presented him with some beautiful pieces of silverware. After deserving tributes were paid to him by the Grand Master, Past Grand Masters, and the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Herrington very graciously acknowledged the gift and expressed the hope that the book would be of interest to the brethren—a hope that has been fully realized by all who have had the opportunity of reading it.

Many important meetings were held during the year by the various lodges in the district, and some of these of a very outstanding character. Much as I would like making comment on a number of these, I must deprive myself of that pleasure, as time and space forbid.

Accompanied in every case by the District Secretary, I officially visited the twenty-seven lodges, which comprise the district.

In connection with these official visits, and with what I have observed on other occasions, I beg to submit the following comments.

Am pleased to report that the character of the degree work was of a high standard in practically every lodge in the district. It was only in a very small percentage of the lodges that the District Deputy could offer any suggestions for improvement.

The reason for noticeable inefficiency on the part of any officer, I learned, was due mainly to him never visiting other lodges, where he might learn by observation. The Masters of all the lodges appear to possess a keen sense of their duties, and are loyally supported by their Past Masters, Officers and brethren.

Have taken the opportunity at some lodges, where it was somewhat late before being introduced, to emphasize the desirability of opening the lodge promptly at the stated hour, conducting the business as expeditiously as possible, in order that the degree work of the evening may be conferred in full form and concluded by ten o'clock. With the proceedings at the festive board conducted in a like manner it would permit the brethren to be well on the way to their respective homes by the midnight hour at the latest. Am pleased to report this is being well carried out, and it is a very rare occasion that the brethren are not returning from lodge the same day they go.

Am pleased also to report that the character of the entertainment at our lodge banquets is, generally speaking, clean and wholesome. There are occasions, however, fortunately rare, when some brother in proposing or responding to a toast, or an entertainer in an effort to be humorous, will relate some story that causes a blush to come to the cheek of every self-respecting Mason, thus tending to nullify the moral lessons that are taught in our lodge rooms. When, pray when, will these would be comedians learn to differentiate between humor and vulgarity?

Applications for membership, as far as my observations lead me to conclude, are not as numerous as in previous years. This circumstance is no doubt due to the financial depression of the times, and is particularly noticeable in the rural lodges. Thorough investigation of each application by well skilled brethren appears to be the rule of every lodge, and where a doubt exists as to the fitness of an applicant, the lodge is given the benefit of such doubt.

Three features that impressed me very much on my official visits were, firstly, the keen attention given

by the brethren to the rendition of the degree work; secondly, the earnest efforts of the officers, not only to be as word perfect as possible, but to render the work distinctly and with a meaning; and thirdly—the natural sequence of the former two—the very favorable impression apparently made upon the candidates.

The musical portion of the degree work was in all cases in very capable hands, and rendered with such efficiency as to add materially to the beauty and impressiveness of the ceremony. Two of the Organists are, through length of service, worthy of special mention. V.W. Bro. E. R. Bowles and Bro. Chas. Musgrave have each served over thirty years in that capacity, and are artists of the first order.

The district is particularly fortunate in the number of brethren who have distinguished themselves in the service of Masonry. Some of these brethren are still active after more than fifty years labor in the interests of our great fraternity. Permit me to briefly mention four with outstanding records that have come to my attention. M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, whom our Grand Lodge delighted to honor at its last Communication. His great service to Masonry in general, and to the governing body in particular, is known to all, but it may be of interest to mention that for forty-seven consecutive years he has installed the officers of Zetland, his mother lodge. R.W. Bro. J. B. Nixon has over sixty-two years membership to his credit, and is still young, and serving as Secretary-Treasurer of the Local Board of Relief, and as Inspector of Benevolent Grants for Grand Lodge. He is a member of four lodges in the District, viz.: Rehoboam, Wilson, Zetland, and Harmony. He was District Deputy fifty years ago. V.W. Bro. Daniel McDonald first saw the Great Lights of Masonry in King Solomon's Lodge over sixty-one years ago, and has a record for regular attendance that challenges comparison throughout our grand jurisdiction and even the Masonic world, he having never missed a meeting of his lodge, either Regular or Emergent, since the night of his initiation

in 1870. In V.W. Bro. Andrew Park, Rehoboam Lodge has a Treasurer who is serving his forty-seventh consecutive year in that capacity. It is to brethren like these that Masons can look with pride, and derive an inspiration for more intensive service. Many others with lengthy and faithful service might also be noted here, but space will not permit.

Perfect harmony prevails between the lodges of the district, and with those of neighboring districts. Peace, harmony and good-will is the predominating spirit among the brethren of each lodge. Interchanges of visits between the lodges, both urban and rural, are numerous, and many lodges are periodically visiting lodges in other districts, and even lodges in the foreign jurisdiction of New York State. Let us hope these international visits will speed the day when:

“Nation with nation, land with land,
Inarmed shall live as comrades free,
And in every heart and brain shall throb
The pulse of one fraternity.”

I cannot conclude without expressing my sincere appreciation for the splendid reception tendered to me in all the lodges, as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. It was particularly gratifying when at my last official visit in the city, at Rehoboam Lodge, where I had the honor of presiding as Worshipful Master in 1924. The occasion was one which I will always remember with pride and satisfaction. It was indeed a pleasure to see such a large attendance of the brethren, and Worshipful Masters, Officers and members of other lodges in the district. As a climax to a very happy and pleasant year I was made the recipient of a beautiful walnut secretary-bookcase, which I will always prize as one of my greatest treasures. To the Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Masters, and brethren who accompanied me on so many of my official visits, I express my heartfelt thanks, and particularly to W. Bro. W. H. Smith, Worshipful Master of my own lodge, who was present on no less than twenty-five such occasions, as well as at many other visits.

In conclusion Most Worshipful Sir, and brethren of Grand Lodge, I wish to assure you, Masonry in Toronto District "C" is in a healthy, flourishing condition, and the prospects for the future are of the very brightest character.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO W. SLACK,
D.D.G.M. Toronto District "C"

TORONTO DISTRICT "D"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Toronto "D" District for the current year.

I assumed my office by the favor of my brethren, and to them I express my deep feelings of gratitude for their trust and confidence. It has been my endeavour, during my term, to serve to their best interest and the benefit of the Craft generally.

I have been greatly assisted in the work by W. Bro. D. M. Christie of Tuscan Lodge, who acted with me as District Secretary, fulfilling the duties of that office faithfully and most efficiently. To W. Bro. S. G. Nicholls of Tuscan Lodge, who came forward with his assistance when needed, I am also deeply indebted.

The work throughout the district is of a high order and measures well up to requirements. Efficiency and intelligent interest are well maintained. Lodges are well officered and are, in the main, under capable forcible direction.

Degree work for review was well divided among the different lodges, and all of the degrees were at one time or another, conferred in most complete and dignified form. The earnestness and sincerity of Masters and Officers is marked and there is a general atmosphere of interest in Craft activities that is most satisfying.

The business administration of the lodges is on a sound footing, and this important branch of our activities, is as a rule, found to be in the care of capable,

experienced officers. The financial standing of the different units is generally sound, the social functions are of a dignified character, and quite in keeping with craft requirements.

Benevolent responsibilities of the brethren are ever to the fore, and there is a tendency to retrench in other directions that our efforts in this most important Masonic duty may be enlarged and extended.

The brethren are prominently forward in all activities of a public nature: in all ranks of important public office will be found members of our order.

During the year I was privileged to attend many important gatherings of the craft. In October I attended Peel Lodge, and had the pleasure of presenting R.W. Bro. J. O. Little, my predecessor, with the regalia of his office. Bro. Little in turn made a like presentation to V.W. Bro. D. S. Graham, District Secretary. This was a delightful and happy occasion.

Victory Night, in Victory Lodge, was another important and representative gathering—a meeting devoted to the memory of the brethren who have gone from among us—a solemn and most impressive ceremony, well attended and supported by brethren from all parts of the jurisdiction.

Grand Lodge Night, in Tuscan Lodge.—a largely attended meeting in May. The occasion was favored by R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington D.G.M. as well as by the four D.D.G.Ms. of the Toronto districts and a large number of members of Grand Lodge. The work of the evening was in charge of Officers of Grand Lodge, and the gathering was most impressive and complete in every way.

A very important occasion was the assembling of the brethren of the different lodges, Wednesday, April 29th, under the auspices of the Committee in Charge of Masonic Education. The work, under the direction of R.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, took the form

of lectures, and for the purposes of the evening, the brethren attending were divided into groups, representing the different degrees, then, as assembled in the three lodge rooms of the temple, were addressed by R.W. Bro. H. J. Alexander, R.W. Bro. W. E. Hopkings, and R.W. Bro. J. G. McDonald

R.W. Bro. Dunlop and the brethren assisting him are to be commended for the success attending this, the first of what we hope will be regular and frequent meetings of this character. The interest and enthusiasm of the brethren present on this occasion clearly indicates the great need of some such source of information and enlightenment in matters pertaining to Craft history and practices.

Interesting among the Special Nights in the lodges are Past Masters Nights. It is my experience that lodges whose Past Masters are active and attentive, are the most forward and progressive of the lodges. He is a wise Master, who, by setting aside this one night, as their very own, thus encourages and interests his Past Masters.

Senior Wardens Nights are becoming increasingly important. These occasions are no doubt of great benefit our potential Masters—the Wardens—bringing them forward full of experience and confidence in the responsibilities of office, but there is the danger of excess in their activities.

In the great numbers of our lodges, the numerous meetings of this character, the desire to participate upon every occasion possible, there is the tendency to disregard the limits of physical endurance, with the consequent impairment of the health of the brethren. As a reasonable precaution it has been suggested to Masters and Wardens, that activities of this kind be confined to their own particular districts at least.

The official review of the work of Tuscan Lodge, my own lodge, was graciously undertaken by R.W. Bro. W. A. Mathieson, Toronto "B" District. At the

February meeting, we attended together and inspected the degree as conferred by W. Bro. Rogers and his officers, R.W. Bro. Mathieson expressed himself as well pleased with the work of the evening. I had the privilege of repaying the kindness of my colleague, by accompanying him upon a visit of inspection to his lodge, Queen City, during April. In the presence of a large number of the brethren, the work of W. Bro. Cockburn and his officers was reviewed, an outstanding evening and a most active and vigorous lodge.

To my colleagues of the Toronto Districts I wish to express my appreciation of their kindnesses upon different occasions. Our contacts in our official duties have been most pleasant, and we have been in complete accord in all things and at all times.

To the many brethren who have accompanied me upon my numerous visits, and who have been ever ready with their support and assistance I offer my most grateful thanks.

My term as District Deputy Grand Master has been an experience of delight and pleasure, due mainly to the profound respect and consideration afforded the representative of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and as well to the high character, probity, and sense of responsibility of those in authority in our lodges. It is because of these things that I relinquish my office with the utmost regret.

Fraternally submitted,

W. R. SCOTT,

D.D.G.M. Toronto "D" District.

VICTORIA DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith report on the condition of Masonry in the Victoria District for the past year.

My first and pleasant duty was to appoint W. Bro. A. D. McIntyre a Past Master of Harding Lodge No. 477, Woodville, as District Secretary, and Bro. Rev. Earlston Doe also a member of Harding Lodge as Chaplain.

This has been a very happy Masonic year in this district of Victoria. The reception I have received is a tribute to the brethren and shows the spirit of respect and loyalty to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and to the Grand Lodge W. Bro. A. D. McIntyre as District Secretary performed the duties of that important office to my entire satisfaction. He examined the books and records of the lodges and reports that the books are well kept, outstanding dues very small, and suspensions few.

For our official visits I felt that to have each meeting full of interest it would be well to have a special speaker who each would prepare and deliver a talk on some form of Masonry. This was done. To these men who did this work for me let me express my sincere thanks. We had in every case a really well prepared and splendid address. This added much to the inspiration and success of the visits.

My first official visit was paid to Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield on September 4th. Victoria Lodge No. 398 has a nice building well situated. W. Bro. G. V. Dunnis keeping the books in good shape and

the lodge is in a prosperous condition. The work is splendidly done.

October 3rd was the date of my official visit to Acadia Lodge No. 440, Minden.

Here we were given a very hearty welcome. The Wor. Master Bro. Lorne Dawson was sick in the hospital in Lindsay. We regretted this, and tokens of sympathy were sent to W. Bro. Dawson from the brethren assembled. We are glad to report that he has since fully recovered.

The I.P.M. Wor. Bro. Dr. Growe, acted as Wor. Master and the work was done in a very efficient manner. This lodge is rich with its active Past Masters who inspire and compel the younger members to do their best work. The building which is new is well situated in the village and with its members is a great influence in the life of the community.

Haliburton County was visited by the brethren of Victoria District on my official visit which was made to North Entrance Lodge No. 465, Haliburton, on October 16th. This was a day that will long be remembered with pleasure by the brethren. The beauties of autumn in the Highlands of Haliburton once seen can never be forgotten. This in the Great Temple of the Universe, coupled with the wonderful reception of kindness and hospitality given by our North Entrance Brethren started our visit under favorable conditions.

W. Bro. Dr. Speck with his officials demonstrated their ability in Masonic work to our entire satisfaction. Again when we retired to the Community Hall we were aware of the extent that the influence of Masonry was felt in our District. The banquet was beautifully arranged and served.

On April 3rd, (Good Friday) we paid our official visit to Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls.

By their usual custom of making Good Friday, a day of unusual interest this year was no exception

to the rule. Lodge was called for four o'clock and after being introduced by W. Bro. Graham to the members of Spry Lodge, the officers exemplified the second degree. The work was exceptionally well done.

After banquet we returned to labor in the lodge room when the third degree was exemplified, and as in the second degree the work was perfect. The officers have their work up well and were ably assisted by I.P.M. Wor. Bro. Weeks, R.W. Bro. Townley and W. Bro. Johnston. The hospitality extended to us on this occasion left nothing to be desired. The future of Spry Lodge is very bright.

April 29th I paid my official visit of inspection to Lorne Lodge No. 375, Omemee. We were privileged to have accompany us R.W. Bro. Jas. Begg, R.W. Bro. Geo. W. Hall, R.W. Bro. A. M. Fulton, and many members of Faithful Brethren, and Gothic Lodges, Lindsay, as well as a goodly number from our own lodge.

Wor. Bro. Pogue and officers of Lorne Lodge exemplified the third degree in a manner that left nothing to be desired. He was also ably assisted by the very efficient Past Masters at his command and service.

The lodge is in a very prosperous condition and the finances and books are kept in excellent order by their very worthy secretary Bro. Thorne.

May 1st our official inspection was paid to Gothic Lodge No. 608, and Faithful Brethren No. 77, Lindsay. If ever there will be an evening long to be remembered in Masonry it will be Friday, May 1st, spent with the Lindsay, brethren. In performing a Grand Lodge duty of inspection it is sometimes difficult to vary the programme enough to make it interesting to side benchers as well as to the officers in charge.

As is Lindsay's usual custom on night of D.D.G. M's. visit the two lodges form their forces into one

family and the Masters, W. Bro. Heels and W. Bro. Dr. Wansborough ably assisted by their very efficient officers, passed Bro. James to the second degree. The work was almost letter perfect, as was also the preparation work of the candidate.

Lindsay brethren hold a lodge of instruction among themselves every Tuesday night. The way the brethren exemplified the degree was proof enough of the wisdom of such an undertaking.

Tuesday, May 12th, was official inspection night for Murray Lodge No. 408, Beaverton. We were greeted by a very large gathering of Masonic brethren from Murray Lodge as well as a goodly number of visitors.

Murray Lodge are to be congratulated on their very fine Temple. The lodge rooms are nicely laid out and are nicely fitted to carry on to advantage the work of Masonry. In addition they are fortunate indeed in having a large banquet hall as well as a splendid room for entertaining in the lower part of the building. Upon being introduced to the brethren by W. Bro. McLeod, W. Bro. Doherty and his officers passed Bro. Edgar Faed to the degree of a Fellowcraft.

Friday, May 22nd, our official inspection was paid to Verulam Lodge No. 268, Bobcaygeon. This evening was devoted to a night of entertainment rather than much work.

The brethren assembled at the lodge rooms, which are beautifully situated over the bank premises and are very, very lovely. The lodge room was packed as a great number of visitors from the district were in attendance.

The lodge was opened promptly at 8 o'clock with W. Bro. Murphy in the chair. The business was conducted in a very bright and businesslike manner. The officers have their work well in hand. There being no degrees for the evening the lodge was closed.

On May 25th, Victoria Day, I paid my official visit to King George Fifth Lodge, Cobocok, No. 498. I was accompanied on this visit by a great number of brethren from our own Lodge Harding, No. 477, as well as several from Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls, and Verulam Lodge, Bobcaygeon.

In spite of the fact that this was Victoria Day, and a great number of the brethren particularly ex-soldiers were called away to take part in the reunion of the old 109th Battalion at Lindsay, we had an excellent turn-out.

I had the pleasure to be introduced to the brethren by P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Callan, who is a great Mason to have in a lodge, his knowledge of Masonry and his very genial character makes him a man of which any lodge might be proud. Wor. Bro. McIntyre and his officers performed their work admirably.

May 28th, our official inspection was paid to Somerville Lodge, No. 451, Kinmount. I had the pleasure on this occasion to be accompanied by R.W. Bro. Townley and W. Bro. Weeks of Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls as well as W. Bro. Wm. Newman of Harding Lodge, also a goodly number of brethren from the various lodges in our district.

The lodge was opened in due form at 8 o'clock, with W. Bro. Carr in the chair. On completion of the general business of the lodge the brethren exemplified the first degree. The work in routine business and that of initiating was very capably done. W. Bro. Carr who did the work almost unassisted is to be congratulated in his interest in getting the work down in such an efficient manner. His example has been well followed by his other officers and as the secretary's books were in perfect order the work of inspection was a very easy and pleasant task.

I cannot find words to express my appreciation of the most wonderful representation we had the privilege of entertaining at my own Mother Lodge, Harding,

No. 477, at Woodville, on June 1st. We laid great plans to make this evening one long to be remembered by the brethren in the district of Victoria. R.W. Bro. J. B. Begg of Lindsay relieved me of my official duties of inspection. However I am happy to say that he found the work in my own lodge well done by W. Bro. Howard Campbell and his officers. Bro. Begg congratulated every officer on the efficient manner in which they carried out their respective duties.

We had such an unusual number in attendance that it was an impossibility for all the brethren to gain admittance to the lodge room. The brethren, however, were very patient and kind waiting until the work of passing Bro. Wilton Dixon to the second degree was completed.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

F. T. C. SMITH,

D.D.G.M. Victoria District.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to present, herewith, my report as District Deputy Grand Master of Wellington District.

My first official Act was the appointment of W. Bro. H. I. Freeston as District Secretary. He has given unsparingly of his time and has been indefatigable in his efforts. He has inspected and audited the books of every lodge in a very thorough and capable manner, and has accompanied me on every visit, both in and out of the district. We have visited every lodge at least twice and many of them more often. We have attended seventy-seven meetings in our district and eighteen in other districts, travelling forty-two hundred miles to accomplish our work.

I also appointed W. Bro. Rev. Finlay Matheson, District Chaplain. He too has been a valuable support and has recreated the office into a living one. He accompanied me on all of my nineteen official visits and has readily responded to the call in the district on several occasions as Speaker of the evening. His addresses on Symbolism have been excellent

The average attendance throughout the district is just under 30%, fair, but not enough. There has been, however, a steady increase which is gratifying. One or two Masters are somewhat tardy in opening lodge, with the resultant late session in the banquet room. I have been urging promptness and despatch. I have followed a plan of speaking on Symbolism and Ethics and have received excellent reactions. The brethren are hungry for instruction and enlightenment, and I trust the Committee on Education will be enabled to satisfy this want.

We have been most cordially and kindly received and have spent a happy and enjoyable year in office.

Waterloo Lodge No. 539, Waterloo. My first official visit was to Waterloo Lodge on October 1st. There was an excellent attendance of members and visitors, twenty-two lodges being represented. The counsel and guidance of the "Triumvirate", R.W. Bro. Hemphill, V.W. Bro. Betchel and V.W. Bro. Livingston is apparent in this lodge. They are a tower of strength, individually and collectively to the Ruling Master. W. Bro. Birch and his officers exemplified the 2nd degree in a faultless manner. The officers are practically all young men and the precision of military training is apparent in their work on the floor of the lodge. They left very little room for correction or advice. Their general fund shows the gratifying balance of \$5,900.00 and they have a membership of 147. Their current expenses are paid out of their dues and interest on invested funds. No portion of their initiation fees being used for this purpose, an example that I wish more lodges could follow. I was delighted to have the support of no less than seven Present and Past G.L. Officers. I spoke to the brethren in the banquet hall briefly, on the "Legend of the Winding Stairs" and was followed by W. Bro. Rev. Finlay Matheson, District Chaplain, who gave a most interesting and enlightening address on Masonic Symbolism.

Conestogo Lodge, No. 295, Drayton. This is one of our rural lodges. I paid my official visit on Oct. 7th, 1930. As there was no candidate in waiting, W. Bro. Lorch and his officers exemplified the M.M. degree; W. Bro. Thompson, I.P.M. made an efficient candidate. The books of this lodge are kept by the treasurer and were not presented for inspection. I arranged to have them examined at a later date. A light lunch was served after lodge and members and visitors were enabled to become better acquainted than is possible at a formal banquet. There were nine lodges represented and the attendance of members is about 33 1-3%. Tuesday, April 28th, 1931, we spent a very profitable evening on our return visit and had

an opportunity to go over the books. With a total membership of 118, 70 of whom are resident members, they have 10 members in arrears owing \$85.00. After paying all liabilities they will have a small balance on hand and dues now being collected will enable them to carry on. Conestogo Lodge has been fulfilling its benevolent work in an admirable way and is to be commended for its excellent work. A rather unusual incident is being completed in Conestogo Lodge. Bro. W. Walton was initiated, passed and raised, under special dispensation in one evening in 1916, owing to his serving in the Army. He is now receiving his degrees over again and learning his work in the regular way so that he may feel at home and well skilled as a M.M. I congratulated Bro. Walton on his laudable ambition and the W.M. and Officers on their sound judgment. The work will be valuable to all concerned. W. Bro. Ingram who has been installed as W.M. since my previous visit is ably supported by his P.M.'s and I feel safe in saying that Conestogo Lodge is on the right road. Tuesday, June 23rd, 1931 I again visited this lodge, and by the special request of the W.M. assumed the chair and worked the M.M. degree. There were a number of visitors present and this meeting resolved itself into an unannounced lodge of instruction.

New Hope Lodge, No. 279, Hespeler.—I visited this lodge officially on October 13th. I received a warm and most cordial reception. W. Bro. Baker and his officers exemplified the Fellowcraft Degree in a faultless manner. This is another lodge that is officered by young men and their enthusiasm and interest in their work speaks well for the future. Bro. Young, Senior Warden, who is an old overseas comrade of mine, was unfortunately absent through quarantine for infantile paralysis. Bro. Heatherington, Junior Warden occupied the S.W.'s chair and gave the lectures like a veteran. New Hope have commodious lodge and banquet rooms, bright and clean with fresh paint. They have a benevolent fund and have expended about \$40.00 thus far this year. Their funds are administered wisely and well. They have no liabilities and their assets show \$800.00 invested in

Victory Bonds. I spoke to the brethren on "The Religion and Spirit of Masonry", and W. Bro. Rev. Matheson, District Chaplain, spoke on the "Symbolism of the Square". R.W. Bro. W. Keffer is still in harness occupying the chair of Chaplain. His counsel and experience is invaluable to the Master and Officers. All is well in Hespeler.

Glenrose Lodge No. 628, Elmira. I made my official visit to our youngest lodge on October 21st. W. Bro. Dekay and his officers exemplified the Second degree very acceptably. Owing to the enforced absence of the Sen. Deacon, Bro. Brandt, who has acted as Chaplain since Glenrose was instituted in 1926 and is one of the old guard, occupied the office very creditably. Owing to religious prejudices in the community, their growth is slow, but I am satisfied that their candidates are all hand picked. Their membership totals 47 and they can boast of an average attendance of 50%. The lodge room is bright and airy and well furnished. The books show that they still have a liability of some \$390.00 and their liquid assets amount to \$61.00, outstanding dues of \$240.00 owed by 19 members. I recommend that a concerted effort be made to collect these arrears and the indebtedness wiped out as soon as possible. W. Bro. Rev. Matheson, District Chaplain, spoke on "Masonry and Religion," a talk which was much enjoyed by all. The visitors were from various points, seven lodges being represented. R.W. Bro. T. C. Wardley, Elora, and R.W. Bro. Hemphill of Waterloo—both of whom have attended every "Inspection Night" since Glenrose was founded—spoke briefly for the visitors. A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent with our Elmira brethren. Tuesday, May 19, 1931 we again visited this lodge and am delighted to report that they are now in the best financial condition they have ever enjoyed. Their indebtedness is practically wiped out and will most certainly be fully paid up by June 24th. The lodge is flourishing and harmonious. W. Bro. Ever who was installed since my official visit is deserving of commendation and congratulations for his efficiency and the excellent results. Glenrose is growing stronger and more virile under his capable hand.

Friday, Oct. 24th, 1930, will be recorded as a red letter day for Wellington District and I do not expect to have a greater privilege during my term of office than was mine, in acting as toast master, with some 550 brethren present from all parts of the district, to honour the Most Worshipful the Grand Master on his official visit to Wellington district. The reception was held at Ryan's Auditorium, Guelph. R.W. Bro. Fairley as Chairman, and W. Bro. Grieves as Secretary of the General Committee composed of brethren of the three Guelph lodges, were untiring in their efforts and by their work and enthusiasm laid well the plans for a very pleasant and happy event. Most Worshipful Bro. R. B. Dargavel spoke to the brethren on the "Mathematics of Masonry" and profoundly impressed the gathering with his vivid and eloquent address. R.W. Bro. Wardley proposed the toast to Grand Lodge as only a Scotsman can. R.W. Bro. Logan in reply placed the English and Scottish in their proper niche and closed with an excellent piece of advice on lodges financing within their assured income. R.W. Bro. Fairley and R.W. Bro. Hamilton briefly and happily proposed the toasts to "Our Guests and "our Visitors" respectively. V.W. Bro. Ross responded in conjunction with our beloved Grand Secretary to "Grand Lodge" and R.W. Bro. Dr. Carson and R.W. Bro. Ostler in replying to "Our Visitors" completed one more round in their tournament of wits, much to the delight of all present. One of our veterans, V.W. Bro. Grant made the presentation, on behalf of Wellington District, to Most Wor. Bro. Dargavel, in his own inimitable way. The Most Wor. the Grand Master graciously accepting the gift and acknowledging our veterans, represented by V.W. Bro. Major Grant and W. Bro. Tytler.

Mercer Lodge No. 347, Fergus. My official inspection of this lodge was made on Friday, November 7th, and it was an added pleasure to compliment W. Bro. Templin and his officers on their proficiency owing to the fact that through the enforced absence of R.W. Bro. Wardley I was called upon to act as Installing Master at Mercer lodge last January. One takes a natural pride in inspecting the work of officers that one has been privileged to install and the

brethren of Mercer Lodge measured up to my hopes in their exemplification of the Fellowcraft degree. It is with deep regret that I record the passing of V.W. Bro. Ross which occurred last June, and a decided loss to Mercer Lodge and Wellington District. The old adage that misfortunes never come singly is unfortunately too true for this lodge. R.W. Bro. Peter Perry, their most efficient secretary, with fifty-two years of masonic service recorded, has been compelled to relinquish his office through ill health. I visited him before going to lodge and it was with the deepest regret that I heard him say that his masonic life is closed. Masonry can ill afford to lose men like Peter Perry. The books were found to be in excellent condition and in addition to a nice balance in the General Fund there is a separate benevolent fund which is doing good work. The meeting was quite representative, thirteen lodges being recorded among the visiting brethren.

New Dominion Lodge No. 205, New Hamburg. This visit was made on Monday, November 10th, Thanksgiving Day. The membership here is small, totalling forty-nine. Their average attendance quite good. W. Bro. Laschinger and his officers exemplified the Fellowcraft degree very acceptably. This was my sixth official visit and the fifty second degree I have inspected. I feel safe in accepting work in the Fellowcraft degree from now on. However, this repetition has given me an opportunity to correct what appears to be a widespread misunderstanding of the penalty in this degree. This lodge has operated in the past with but one standing committee, that of Benevolence. At this meeting committees of General Purpose, Posting and Visiting were authorized and appointed and I think will assist materially in interesting the brethren and co-ordinating the work of the lodge. I think it is a move in the right direction. W. Bro. Ruthig has his books in good condition. Outstanding dues amount to \$185.00 owed by nine members; liquid assets \$83.00 and liabilities of \$182.50. I suggested that the Committee of General Purposes assist the Secretary in collecting the arrears of dues and that an especial effort be made to pay off the

liabilities. A very enjoyable, and I am sure instructive evening was spent with our New Hamburg brethren.

November 11th, 1930. The 12th Anniversary of Armistice Day was fittingly commemorated by a memorial service held by Speed, Guelph and Waverley Lodges at Guelph. A very beautiful, impressive and inspiring service was held in which I was privileged to participate. Twin City Lodge, Kitchener, held their memorial service on November 14th and this year outshone its predecessors, the service being patterned along the lines of the Guelph ceremony. Tributes to those who paid the supreme sacrifice, and excellent messages of our present and future obligations as citizens were given by capable speakers at both events.

Irvine Lodge No. 203, Elora. My official visit to this lodge on Friday, November 21, 1930 completes my inspections for 1930. Irvine lodge ranks high for its hospitality, its proficiency in the work and its benevolence. With a membership of 118 their register shows an average attendance of 30%. They are quite sound financially and have a balance of \$600.00 in a separate benevolent fund. The books are in good condition and in good hands. The imprint of R.W. Bro. Wardley, V.W. Bro. Mills and V.W. Bro. Thomson is quite discernable. W. Bro. Grimes, I.P.M. is a tower of strength to the Master and is ably filling his office in a manner, that, unfortunately, so many I.P.Ms. are not. W. Bro. Wells and his very efficient officers exemplified the E.A. Degree in a very effective and dignified manner, an exceptionally fine candidate was well started on the pathway of light. Some sixty visitors were present representing sixteen lodges, a tribute to Irvine Lodge indeed. Last year on Irvine's Inspection Night, I was privileged to speak to them on "Overseas Experiences" so this year I followed through with "Citizenship as a Masonic Duty". W. Bro. Matheson spoke on "The Sword and the Cable Tow." The Craft is highly respected and well represented in Elora.

As I had no official visits from November 21st, 1930 to February 3rd, 1931, Wor. Bro. Freeston and I were able to give a good deal of time and attention to the organization of a Past Masters' Association for Wellington District. Several meetings were held and were well attended and everyone was quite enthused with the plan. The organization is now completed, R.W. Bro. Wardley is the first President, V.W. Bro. Ford, Vice-President, and R.W. Bro. Schiedel, Secretary-Treasurer. The first meeting of the Association is to be held on February 26th, 1931. We are delighted with the capable and efficient officers who are guiding our new Association on its way and all are anticipating a very enjoyable and instructive future.

During the period from December 12, 1930 to January 6th, 1931, I attended and in some cases assisted in the work, the Installation Ceremonies, at Twin City, Preston, Grand River, Waverley and Speed Lodges. I was also once more delighted to act as Installing Master at the Installation Ceremonies at Glenrose, Elmira and Mercer, Fergus.

Galt Lodge No. 257, Galt. My official inspection of this lodge was made on Tuesday, February 3rd, 1931. We were delighted to welcome back W. Bro. Heatherington, Galt's efficient secretary, after an extended illness of several months. During his absence W. Bro. "Bob" Clark has been "carrying on", the books were in good order, the financial condition is particularly gratifying and their benevolent fund shows an excellent balance of \$1,400.00. The demand on this fund during the year amounted to \$200.00. W. Bro. Hannam and his officers and past masters worked a third degree in a very acceptable manner. The Officers are very apparently taking a keen interest in their work and are striving to maintain a high standard.

Grand River Lodge No. 151, Kitchener. My official visit was made to this lodge on Tuesday, February 10th, 1931. There was an excellent attendance of members and visitors, some fifteen lodges being represented. Grand River Lodge is this year

commemorating its 70th Anniversary, and in looking over its membership it is apparent that "the older it gets the younger it grows." They have a membership of over 400 and their liquid assets amount to the gratifying sum of \$9,300.00 with a separate benevolent fund of \$720.00. They have expended \$348.00 in this worthy cause during the last year. Bro. Fisher the very efficient secretary presented for our inspection the most perfect set of books we have been privileged to see, and I did not hesitate to so tell him and congratulate him in open lodge. W. Bro. R. N. Merritt presides over a staff of officers of whom he may be justly proud. They exemplified the E.A. degree in a very impressive and dignified manner. I particularly appreciated the J.W. lecture by Bro. Capt. Snow., given in such a dignified manner and a soft cultured English accent. (We did not require the services of a Scottish interpreter). Eight P.Ms. were used in the "work" and all acquitted themselves nobly. I was particularly delighted to be introduced by two P.D.D.G.Ms, R.W. Bro. G. DeKleinhans and R.W. Bro. M. Schiedel, both of whom have been of great assistance to me in my masonic journey. In reply to "Grand Lodge" I spoke on the symbolism of the "Hoodwink" R.W. Bros. Keffer and Ingall replied to the "Visitors" and W. Bro. Freeston, District Secretary, ably proposed a toast to Grand River Lodge to which W. Bro. Merritt graciously replied. Grand River Lodge is maintaining the high standard it set for itself many years ago.

Waverley Lodge No. 361, Guelph. I paid my official visit of inspection to this lodge on Monday, February 23rd, 1931. I was ably introduced by R.W. Bro. Power and warmly received by W. Bro. Shonk and the brethren. Waverley Lodge is one of our strongest lodges numerically, and there was a good attendance of members and visitors. V.W. Bro. Hinman is a most efficient secretary and his books are "perfect". He presented a very complete and instructive report, it is with regret that I report his removal from Guelph to Hamilton. Enthusiastic masons and efficient secretaries of Bro. Hinman's calibre are hard to find. Waverley, Speed and Guelph Lodges are joint owners of the building and furniture

and equipment. They have the finest lodge rooms in the district. Waverley's report shows a balance of \$4,388.00 in the General Fund and \$3,500.00 stock in the Temple. Their arrears of dues amount to \$111.00 and are owed by 18 members. Their attendance is at about the same average as our other lodges, about 22%—too low. I believe and sincerely hope that the attendance of members throughout the district is improving. However, I am looking to our Past Masters' Association to assist in this worthy task. W. Bro. A. Shonk, his officers and Past Masters exemplified the M.M. Degree in a very dignified manner, and it was a pleasure to compliment them on their work. The Deacon's work on the floor of the lodge was particularly impressive and smooth, exhibiting careful thought and preparation, and I think I could once more see traces of the C.E.F. training. Our good friend R.W. Bro. Jaffray, one of the pillars of Waverley took a prominent part in the degree. After lodge was closed we enjoyed an excellent repast in the banquet room. I addressed the gathering on "The Lost Word and Eternal Life". Waverley Lodge is upholding the traditions of the Craft well and worthily.

Tuesday, February 24, 1930. It is with the deepest regret that I report the passing of one of our district's outstanding men and Masons. Together with some 125 members of the Craft, I attended the funeral of R.W. Bro. Peter Perry, P.D.D.G.M. at Fergus. At the request of the brethren of Mercer Lodge, I took charge of the Funeral Ceremony. Ably supported and assisted by R.W. Bros' Penfold, Keffer, Schiedel, Wardley, Hemphill, Jaffray and Fairley, we paid our "last sad offices of respect to departed merit." He lives in the record he made as an upright man and a Mason, a steadfast, devoted friend, a wise counsellor, and so long as our eyes can read and our tongues can speak, his record will endure."

Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph. I visited this lodge, officially, on Tuesday, March 3rd, 1931. I received a very warm and cordial welcome. There

was an attendance of about 150 members and visitors, fourteen lodges being represented. Owing to a very heavy business docket, it was 9.30 p.m. when I entered the lodge room and unfortunate circumstances prevented the candidate for initiation from being present. On being advised of the situation and considering the lateness of the hour, I called off the degree work and requested the W.M. to open and close the lodge in the three degrees. W. Bro. Moore and his officers completed this work in a very efficient manner. On request I gave the correct wording of the penalties in each degree. The books of Speed Lodge are in very good and efficient hands, W. Bro. Whetstone being numbered among our first grade secretaries. Speed has a membership of 350, one hundred being non-resident members. Their average attendance is about 25%. During my long wait in the ante-room I checked over the register and found the attendance of the officers was almost 100%. The building, furniture and equipment is jointly owned and insured by the three lodges as I have reported under Waverley Lodge. Speed Lodge has \$5,000.00 in their General Fund and \$4,500.00 invested in the Temple. They paid out \$132.00 in benevolence. They show 53 members in arrears, owing \$300.00. As most of this is for 1930 I was not unduly alarmed, but suggested that every effort be made to collect this money, at once. R.W. Bro. Geo. Fairley, P.G.S.W. is a tower of strength in this lodge. I appreciate his excellent assistance, advice and co-operation. He is ably supported by W. Bro. A. Black, I.P.M. and Treasurer, for whom I predict a bright future in Masonry. I spoke to them on the "Value of Freemasonry in Society." Speed Lodge is taking its place among the leaders and is in excellent hands. I shall attend their April meeting to witness a degree.—Tuesday, April 7th, 1931. I returned to Speed Lodge to witness the E.A. Degree conferred and as I had anticipated, W. Bro. Moore and his officers conducted the degree in an excellent dignified and impressive manner. It was with pleasure that I was enabled to sincerely congratulate them on their work and the studied attention to detail that makes or mars the work.

Guelph Lodge No. 258, Guelph. This lodge was visited officially on Tuesday, March 10th, 1931. My third official visit to the City of Guelph in two weeks. I was most cordially welcomed and found some one hundred and fifty brethren assembled for the occasion. Six District lodges and Six lodges from other districts being represented. W. Bro. Sweetman has his books and records in excellent shape and presented a well tabulated report. The membership is 351 and the average attendance is approximately 22½% of the resident membership. They have \$2,755.00 in the General Fund and have paid out about \$200.00 in benevolence. The building, furniture, etc. is owned jointly with Waverley and Speed Lodges. There are 49 members in arrears, owing \$416.00. I thought this ratio was too high and I have the assurance of the W.M. that every effort will be made to collect this sum, immediately. I hope to have a clear report in the next two months. W. Bro. Royce and his officers conferred the E.A. Degree on an excellent candidate, in an impressive and dignified manner. I was glad to compliment them on their work. Seven P.Ms. took part in the degree and all acquitted themselves nobly. The choir rendered the musical ritual and added very much to the impressiveness of the degree. I was particularly delighted to see W. Bro. Darby occupying the Chaplain's Chair, and hear him take part in the ceremony. Bro. Darby is one of Guelph's lodges' foundation stones and a veteran of many years standing, although he is far from well he paid me the compliment of making the effort to be present on this occasion. I appreciated his presence very much. I addressed the gathering on the "Spiritual Significance of Masonry."

Twin City Lodge No. 509, Kitchener. Friday, March 13th, 1931. In spite of the day and date this was one of the happiest days in my year. To be received into my Mother Lodge so royally and to find some 200 brethren present in spite of the unfavourable road conditions, was a joy indeed. Twenty-five lodges were represented, nine from the District and sixteen from other points. Our Secretary, R.W. Bro. Dekleinhans, "the keystone" of Twin City presented

a complete and excellent set of books for inspection. He is in all senses of the words "an ideal man in the right place." With a membership of 286 and 17 in arrears, owing \$115.00 and an average attendance of about 22% I found Twin City comparing favourably with the rest of the district. About a year and a half ago a plan was put into operation to lay aside ten per cent. of all initiation fees for benevolence. \$125.00 has been paid out this year and a balance of \$196.00 is still in the fund. I hope it will have an opportunity to grow so that it may be of real value in the future. Twin City has had some heavy expenses in the last two years, paying off her share of the furnishings, the building now being operated by a "Trust Committee", the liquid assets amount to \$500.00. W. Bro. Stoner and his officers ably assisted by seven P.Ms. conferred the E.A. degree in a manner that was as near perfection as is humanly possible. There was a dignity and solemnity to the work that was inspiring. The rendering of the musical ritual by our quartette added greatly to the work. Bro. Israel, I.G. acting as J.D., gave an excellent demonstration of how a candidate should be handled, smooth, efficient and with perfect ease. Bro. Heimrich's recital of the J.W. lecture was also a splendid piece of work, word perfect, easy in manner and excellent articulation. I was very proud of Twin City's work and did not hesitate to commend them. This evening was also the eighteenth anniversary of the institution of our lodge and it was very fitting that W. Bro. Finnegan our first J.W. should be presented with a life membership by V.W. Bro. Smithson, our first S.W. I appreciated the presence of R.W. Bro. Frank Copus, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, and R.W. Bro's Wardley and Schiedel, P.D.D.G.Ms. I spoke on "The Cornerstone" and R.W. Bro. Copus gave the brethren an excellent, straight from the shoulder address on the value of education, our ability to absorb it and to practise the principles of the order. R.W. Bro. Wardley proposed a toast to Twin City Lodge and his remarks were warmly received and appreciated. The traditions of Masonry are being maintained in their fullest splendour and the Craft is worthily represented by Twin City Lodge.

Preston Lodge No. 297, Preston. This lodge was visited officially on Friday, March 20th, 1931. V.W. Bro. King presented his usual excellently kept records, for inspection. With a membership of 191, 136 being resident members, and an average attendance of 30%. Assets of approximately \$600.00 and having paid out \$300.00 in benevolence, I am satisfied that this lodge is in good hands. Preston Lodge like several of our lodges in the past few weeks is receiving a great influx of applications for membership. I am assured by the W.M. that the material is worthy. W. Bro. Steel and his officers exemplified the Second Degree with the Musical Ritual in a very able manner exhibiting careful thought and preparation. I must remark once more on the prevalence of the error of giving the penalty in the F.C. Degree, it appears to be wrong all over the District. Preston lodge is advancing rapidly under the hand of W. Bro. Steel and with the co-operation of the officers. I think it would be a decided advantage to open on time. Too much time is lost before the meeting gets under way. I was not admitted until 9.45 p.m. owing to the late start and a lengthy business agenda. There was an exceptionally good attendance, some 150 brethren being present representing 19 lodges. I addressed the brethren on "The Declarations of Masonry." W. Bro. Alex. Black of Speed Lodge, Guelph, who with several of his brethren has attended almost every official visit this year, expressed a Scotsman's pleasure and thanks for the excellent repast. Masonry appears to be in a flourishing condition in Preston.

Alma Lodge No. 72, Galt. I visited this lodge officially on Tuesday, March 31st, 1931. I was warmly received and found just short of 100 brethren present representing 7 District lodges and 5 lodges from more distant points. R.W. Bro. Col. Oliver presented his books for inspection, and in his own inimitable way congratulated W. Bro. Freeston for his careful audit and report. The membership is 238, 200 being resident members, the average attendance is about 15% too low. There are nineteen brethren in arrears owing \$403.00. A very concerted effort is being made to clear this up, and I am assured that

they will present a clean slate by the April meeting. Alma Lodge has paid out about \$300.00 in benevolence and has the excellent balance of \$7,400.00 in liquid assets. W. Bro. Hill and his officers conferred the E.A. Degree on Mr. N. Himes of hockey fame, in an efficient and dignified manner. It is very apparent that the officers are taking a real interest in their work. The J.D. was of course, much in evidence he was very efficient and had excellent control of his candidate and a good understanding of his work. No less than nine present and past Grand Lodge officers were present assisting materially by their presence. I spoke to the brethren on "The Foundation of Masonry", and R.W. Bros. Wardley, Woolner and Schiedel replied for the visitors. Alma Lodge is the oldest lodge in this district and is worthily upholding the traditions to which they swore allegiance so many years ago.

Credit Lodge No. 219, Georgetown. My official visit of inspection was made to this lodge on Friday, April 10th, 1931. I was very kindly introduced by R.W. Bro. Barraclough and warmly received by the Worshipful Master, and a goodly attendance of members and visitors, there were eighteen lodges represented according to the register and I found that the attendance of the officers was quite good. I was indeed sorry to learn that W. Bro. Greenwood, I.P.M. is confined to Christy St. Hospital. I hope he will soon be back ably filling his niche in Credit Lodge. With a membership of 150, ninety of whom are resident members, Credit shows an average attendance of 35% and 30 members in arrears owing \$158.00. V.W. Bro. Ford presented a complete and excellent set of books for inspection. His old records are well kept, interesting and very complete. This lodge follows the plan of laying aside 10% of all initiation fees for benevolence. They expended some \$250.00 this year and have a like amount still in the fund. Their liquid assets total \$2,000.00 and they have no liabilities. W. Bro. Marchmont and his officers conferred the F.C. degree on the youngest son of V.W. Bro. Ford. He was an excellent candidate and I was delighted to congratulate the W.M. and his officers

on the able manner in which the degree was conferred. Bro. Redshaw, S.W., and Bro. Simmonds, S.D. completed their work in a very able manner. V.W. Bro. Ford very appropriately and impressively gave the Charge from the Book of Constitution to his son. I was glad to note the presence of R.W. Bro. Kirk, P.G.J.W. and V.W. Bro. Major Grant. I addressed the gathering on "The Quest of Masonry". We spent a most enjoyable evening with our Georgetown brethren. I am satisfied that Masonry is well represented and highly respected in our easterly limits.

Ayr No. 172, Ayr. I made my official visit to this lodge, on Monday, April 13th, 1931. It is one of the oldest lodges in the district, owns the building in which they are quartered and receives a revenue from the store on the ground floor. The lodge room is the smallest I was ever in, but it is well furnished and complete in every detail. They have recently re-decorated and it is bright and clean in its new paint. There was a good attendance of members and visitors representing nine lodges. W. Bro. Shaw is a very painstaking secretary and his records are in excellent order and very complete. He is engaged in writing up a history of the lodge from its inception and has some interesting data drawn from the old records. Their membership is 92, 58 of whom are resident. They have an average attendance of 35%. There are but five members in arrears owing \$19.00. They paid out \$55.00 in benevolence and have liquid assets of \$385.00 in the General Fund. W. Bro. Arthur the I.P.M. occupied the chair and he and the officers conferred the F.C. degree on Bro. Kay an exceptionally well posted candidate. Bro. Nickerson, S.D., is a very efficient young officer and in fact the whole degree was exceptionally well worked and I did not hesitate to compliment them. They have been unusually busy of late and have worked nine degrees since Installation. I spoke to the brethren on the "Freedom of Masonry". A very happy and pleasant evening was spent with our Ayr brethren. They are still maintaining their reputation for a warm welcome hospitality.

Walker No. 321, Acton. This lodge was visited officially on Monday, April 27th, 1931. The accommodation was taxed to the uttermost, some 120 brethren seeking admission in quarters that would accommodate 70. There were fifteen lodges represented and I was glad to note the presence of R.W. Bro. Barraclough, V.W. Bro. Ford and V.W. Bro. Major Grant from Georgetown. W. Bro. MacDonald, the secretary, has his books in good shape. He has given many years of excellent service to Walker Lodge. With a total membership of 140, 86 of whom are resident members, they show an average attendance of about 30%. Outstanding dues amount to \$150.00 owed by 24 members. \$36.00 has been expended on benevolence and they have cash and liquid assets amounting to \$678.00. Walker Lodge is able to finance within its income from dues. I wish most sincerely that more of our lodges could do so. W. Bro. Blair and his officers conferred the F.C. Degree on Bro. Johnson, in an excellent and dignified manner. Bro. Ritchie, S.D. was particularly good. This is the ninth Second Degree I have inspected and the W.M. and Officers of Walker Lodge are on a par with the best. I addressed the brethren on "The Square, Level and Plumb Rule" and in reply to "Our Visitors," W. Bro. Matheson, V.W. Bro. Ford and Wor. Bro. Cotton expressed the thanks of all present and contributed a few gems for our mental digestion. I have no hesitation in saying the Craft is well represented and highly respected in Acton.

Wilmot Lodge No. 318, Baden. My last official visit was made to this lodge on Friday, May 8th 1931. Ninety brethren signed the register and filled the lodge to the overflowing point. Six of our own district and 12 outside lodges were represented among them being brethren from Bowmanville, Forest and Exeter. I was particularly delighted to acknowledge the presence of R.W. Bro. T. Pryde of South Huron District. Wilmot Lodge has a most capable and efficient secretary in W. Bro. A. E. Livingston, and his books are in excellent condition. This is the smallest lodge in our district having a total membership of but 37 members, 22 being residents, they have an average attendance of 75% and only one member in arrears

owing \$5.00 truly an excellent record. They have a balance in their benevolent fund of \$129.27 and in their General Fund of \$107.52 and have expended \$11.50 for benevolence during the year. One wonders how they do it. Wor. Bro. Weese and his officers exemplified the E.A. Degree and while there was a certain amount of nervousness apparent through lack of work—the degree was conducted in a dignified manner and earned justifiable commendation. The J.W. lecture by Bro. McLaughlin and the Charge from the B. of C. by Wor. Bro. Livingston were outstanding and particularly worthy of note as was also the Obl. by the W.M. I spoke on the V.O.S.L. and R.W. Bro. Pryde spoke briefly on the work of benevolence. I have no hesitancy in saying that Masonry is held in high esteem and is well practised in Baden.

Since the close of my official visits I have attended many "Special Nights" at various lodges. On Friday, May 29th, I was privileged to preside in Twin City Lodge with twelve Past Grand Lodge Officers occupying the chairs and working the E.A. degree. I have also attended several "Church Parades" and on Sunday, May 31st, some 250 brethren attended a District Divine Service in Kitchener. We have three lodges installing in June and it has been my privilege to invest and install the new W.M.'s of Waterloo, New Dominion and Irvine Lodges. On June 24th Guelph Lodge is celebrating its 60th anniversary and I am sure this will be a very happy event. My tenure of office while strenuous has been a most happy one. We have received excellent support and co-operation on every hand. We have made new friendships and I hope, that, though our term is over we shall be privileged to renew them often. Wellington District is maintaining its standing and standard. All is well in Wellington.

Fraternally submitted,

E. WACKETT,

D.D.G.M. Wellington District.

WILSON DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sirs and Brethren:

It is with some feeling of regret that I find myself approaching the close of the happiest and most instructive year of my Masonic experience, and to realize that the time has arrived for the submitting of my report on the condition of Masonry in Wilson District, and the several historical lodges of which it is composed. First, I wish to thank the brethren of Wilson District for the distinction and honor conferred on me and on Oak Branch Lodge, Innerkip, in unanimously electing me to this responsible and important position, more especially as it is the first time in the history of Oak Branch Lodge of almost sixty years that they have had the honor of having a representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master in their membership, therefore it was with a deep feeling of regret among the brethren of Oak Branch lodge when on December 1, 1930, I moved to the town of my boyhood days, Tillsonburg, and I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation to the brethren of my mother lodge, Oak Branch, Innerkip, for the very appropriate way in which they expressed their kind regards to me for my humble efforts in their behalf.

My first official act in assuming office was to appoint W. Bro. G. A. Smith, of Oak Branch Lodge, District Secretary, and W. Bro. P. G. Strong, District Chaplain, and I cannot express in too high terms my thanks to both of these brethren for their assistance in carrying out the duties of their respective office, and their many kindly suggestions which were of much assistance in my visits at all of which they were present up to my removal from Innerkip, and since which they have put themselves to some inconvenience to be present at as many visits as possible.

Words fail to express my sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon me by the brethren of this district in entrusting to me the duties of this high office, the dignity and honor of which I have endeavored to uphold to the best of my humble ability. I visited all the lodges in the district once and several of them on different occasions. I found all the lodges manned with very capable officers, who put on the work in a very efficient manner. In my visits throughout the district, I found but very little room for criticism and I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren the importance of living up to their obligations and of attending lodge regularly and also their duty of making advancement in Masonic knowledge. In general the condition of Masonry in this district is bright and the future should be one of progress and success. The books of the lodges are well kept and the lodges are to be congratulated on their secretaries, many of them officers of long experience and past D.D.G.Ms. This happy state of affairs accounts for the efficiency of the lodges, and the earnest rendering of the work. The lodges, as a rule, are prompt in opening and carrying on as expeditiously as possible. A number of the lodges are now making use of the musical ritual which adds much to the enjoyment of the members present. In this respect, the lodges of Woodstock, King Solomon's, No. 43, and Oxford, No. 76, are very fortunate in having a wonderful Masonic Choir. Next in importance, in Musical Ritual is Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover, who carry out this work with musical sheets distributed to the brethren on the side benches. I heartily recommend that all of the lodges of Wilson district carry out this work, in so far as it is possible.

Of the many delightful evenings that I was privileged to spend with my Masonic brethren space does not permit to record here, with the exception of some of the outstanding events, one of which was the night of the official inspection of King Hiram Lodge No. 37, and St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll, not for the excellence of the ritual work, carefully and sincerely rendered though it was, that I had expected, not for the kindly welcome of the officers and members, that was only consistent with the traditions of

loyalty to the representative of the Grand Master in this district, but for the fact I had the privilege to witness two boys (twins) raised to the sublime degree, one of which required the special dispensation of the Grand Master to be made a Mason, through his having been deprived of his right hand. Their father Bro. R. Gilling, the Senior Deacon of King Hiram Lodge, had the satisfaction of conducting them through the beautiful ceremony. I expressed my hope to Bro. R. Gilling, that he would have the honor at some future date of installing the boys as Masters of their lodge.

Other outstanding events were my visits to Oriental Lodge, Port Burwell, Nov. 4, 1930, and Vienna Lodge, Vienna, Nov. 28, 1930, at both of these meetings I had the honor of being introduced by the two young veteran Masons of Wilson District, R.W. Bro. S. S. Clutton, of Vienna and V.W. Bro. Wm. Backhouse of Pt. Burwell, both of whom are over ninety years young. I, like many others, look forward with pleasure to meeting them. May they long be spared to meet with us on occasions of this kind. R.W. Bro. S. S. Clutton is a past master of 58 years. I am very sorry to have to report that during the latter part of the winter, and this spring his health was not what we all wish for him, but I was very glad that he was able to be out at my last visit, when I had the honor of installing their officers on June 23rd, at which he expressed the hope that he would be able to be with us at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in Windsor this coming July, with V.W. Bro. Backhouse, who assured us that he would take good care of him. These two brethren have a great time when together.

I must note my visit to Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover. Here we were greeted as at all of our meetings, by a large number of members and visitors. The work in the second degree was excellently exemplified by W. Bro. Barrett and his officers, assisted by Past Masters in a manner that left no room for criticism, but rather merited praise. I am a firm believer in keeping past Masters at work as they are

without a doubt, the back-bone of any lodge. Of especial interest was the remark made at the close of the meeting by W. Bro. Macgaw MacDonald, that during the ceremony all the money in Port Dover was tied up, in so far as the Senior Deacon, a manager of one bank was conducting the candidate, the manager of the other bank, such is Freemasonry, and such its mission. Erie brethren are now in their new Temple, recently completed, and which is one of the finest in the district. Any brethren of the district who have the opportunity to visit Erie Lodge will be well repaid in learning what can be accomplished by a few, and those few are to be heartily commended on their efforts.

The meetings at other lodges not mentioned, were of just as high an order as the few we noted, as to character of work done and goodfellowship.

I presented several Past Master's Jewels and to each W. Bro. I expressed the hope that they would long be spared to give to their lodge the best of their judgment and guidance, reminding them that:

"Labor with what zeal we will
 Something yet remains undone,
 Something uncompleted still
 Awaits the setting sun.

The Past Masters' Association formed about five years ago is still in a flourishing condition and doing good work. Some Past Masters from every lodge in the district are members, and we meet three or four times a year. All the meetings are well attended, and many able addresses have been given by well known speakers, especially the meeting held at Port Dover, on May 7th, 1931, in the new Temple, at which we had the honor of having as the speakers of the evening our esteemed Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, who gave us a wonderful address on "Masonic Symbols", also R.W. Bro. F. A. Copus, of Stratford, Chairman of the Benevolence Committee, of the Board of General Purposes, who also gave us a wonderful report on the workings of his

Committee. I hope from his talk that Wilson district will soon reach their quota in the Memorial Benevolence Fund, which for various reasons they have not as yet been able to do. It is in matters of this kind, for the advancement of Masonry, which make our meetings interesting and instructive. We also have under consideration the compiling and printing of an historical volume relating to our first Grand Master, M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, and Wilson District up to the present time, with which we hope Grand Lodge will be able to assist us.

It is with deep regret that it becomes necessary to record the passing to the Grand Lodge above, of our dearly beloved immediate Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Hon. John S. Martin, a member of Erie Lodge, Port Dover, Wilson District, who was called by the Most High on May 13th, 1931. As this will be fully covered by the Committee on Fraternal Dead it is not necessary for me to take space here, except to state that he was one of the most widely known Masons in Ontario, one to whom the burdened heart could pour forth its sorrow, to whom the distressed could prefer his suit, whose hand was guided by justice, and whose heart was expanded by benevolence. His affable manner, pleasant smile and warm hand shake, were but the index to his true Masonic qualities.

I extend my sympathy to the brethren of Oriental Lodge, No. 181, Port Burwell, who during the winter months had the misfortune, after having just paid off their last debt on their lodgeroom and store below to have it, together with their furniture, and almost all their records wiped out by that devastating demon fire. Unfortunately they had, to my mind, inadequate insurance, and this I trust, will be a lesson to the brethren of other lodges to look well to the insurance on their buildings. The brethren of this lodge are showing the truly Masonic spirit in going ahead with plans to build a new temple.

"Better than grandeur, better than gold,
Or rank or title a hundred fold,
Is a heart that can feel for a neighbor's woe,
And share in his joys, with a friendly glow."

The twenty-second Annual Lodge of Instruction held at the Woodstock Temple by kind permission of the Temple Company and the brethren of the two Woodstock Lodges on May 11th, 1931, at 2.30 p.m., was largely attended by members of the Craft from every part of the district. The first degree was exemplified by Ruling Masters of the District, also a Board of Trial by W. Bro. G. Young, with Assistance of Norwich brethren. Discussion on some points of the work took place which made the meeting both interesting and instructive.

The reception and banquet to M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, Grand Master, held in the Armouries, at 6.30 p.m., was one of the largest Masonic Assemblies held in this part of the Province. It occurred to me that, if ever a Grand Master wished to feel the thrill of a meeting with a very sincere, very earnest, group of Masonic manhood, a district meeting such as this, away from the larger cities would prove a wonderful tonic. To these men the Grand Lodge is, at best rather a hazy memory of a hurried two days, and the Grand Master almost a being set apart, and I have been thinking that if the Grand Master, out of the strenuous, arduous occupation of his high office, could only occasionally foregather with his brethren in the rural districts, what an incentive for the betterment of the craft it would be to them. They may read his addresses in the proceedings and try to catch some of the spirit of Masonry with which the address is charged, but while the written word has an inspirational effect, think what the effect of a visit from the Grand Master in person would be. One who felt in sympathy with his brethren of the rural districts, who urged us so strongly not only to make Masons, but to make men of Masons, did leave I know an impression of the Masonic creed of brotherly love, relief and truth that will fade only with human memory.

I would heartily recommend that during these hard times of depression, when so many worthy men are unfortunately out of work that each lodge appoint an Investigating Committee and before any brother is suspended his condition should be thoroughly investigated, and if found worthy extend the broad mantle of Masonic Charity.

Before I conclude let me especially express my sincere appreciation to the members of King Solomon's and Oxford Lodges, Woodstock, for their very strenuous work in the preparation of the banquet room at the Armouries, which helped so materially to make the District reception to the Grand Master the great success that it was.

In conclusion I trust I have fulfilled my duties satisfactorily to the brethren. Wherein I have been successful I am pleased, and wherein I have failed or fallen short, I ask the brethren not to criticise too harshly.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

F. B. STEWART,

D.D.G.M. Wilson District.

WINDSOR DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a report of the work carried on in Windsor District for the Masonic year ending July 1931.

I wish first to express my sincere appreciation for this high honor and also for the wholehearted support of Past Grand Lodge Officers, Ruling Masters, Officers and Brethren throughout the District.

After very careful thought as to fitness, I appointed W. Bro. J. W. Brown as District Secretary and he has been of great assistance to me in all my work and especially in regard to the Benevolent Fund.

During the year I had the honor and pleasure of installing the officers of several of the lodges, with the assistance of P.D.D.G.Ms. and other brethren, who were always glad to do anything to help along the good work.

On October 15th, 1930, accompanied by a large number of brethren of Windsor District, I visited Wolverine Lodge, Detroit, who were celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of Masonry in the United States. The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, was ably represented by R.W. Bro. W. N. Gatfield, who expressed regret that our Grand Master was not able to attend in person. We received a real Masonic welcome, a bounteous repast and listened to some very interesting addresses.

During my term, I visited the following districts in Western Ontario—Guelph, London, Chatham and

St. Thomas, and found a very warm fraternal friendship existing in all cases.

It is a matter of deep regret to me that owing to the economic condition, which appears to be worse in this district than in most others, that those lodges which did not complete the collection of their quota for the Memorial Benevolent Fund, have found it very difficult to do so this year, though I stressed the importance of my Official Visits, and all lodges in arrears have promised to put forth a special effort in this work.

Fraternal visits between lodges in the district and so outside have been promoted with beneficial results.

Windsor District is blessed with two organizations, which have been of great benefit to Masonry—Viz.: The Past Masters' Association, which holds very interesting monthly meetings, throughout the District under the very able leadership of R.W. Bro. W. T. Turner, President, and R.W. Bro. E. T. Howe, secretary, and well supported by Past Masters by their attendance and council at the meetings—at one of which it was our extreme pleasure to have with us the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Grand Secretary.

We also have the Windsor District Masonic Research Association, very ably presided over by Bro. J. C. Reid and his capable secretary Bro. Martin. Speakers well skilled in the art of Freemasonry are procured for the monthly meetings, which are well attended, and none go away without a feeling that they have been well repaid for the effort. The President, Brother Reid, is capable of holding the interest of a meeting of Masonic brethren by the hour, and would be of valuable assistance to any District wishing to organize such an Association.

I officially visited all the lodges in the district.

At all of these I found the work being carried on very satisfactorily and the Masters and Officers

fully appreciating the importance of doing impressive work.

Before concluding I wish to express the sincere appreciation of Windsor District, of the honor of having Grand Lodge hold their seventy-sixth annual Communication in the City of Windsor. I hope that profit and pleasure may be the result.

In conclusion, I bespeak for my successor the loyal support and fraternal friendship, which has been extended to me wherever I went.

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. KEITH,

D.D.G.M. Windsor District.

These reports were presented by the Grand Secretary and on motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by the Grand Secretary, were received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

PETITIONS FOR WARRANTS

Petitions for Warrants were received from two lodges under dispensation and on motion of the Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, were referred to the Board of General Purposes.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notices of motion, which had been received by the statutory time, were read by the Grand Secretary. On motion of the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, they were referred to the Board of General Purposes.

1. By. M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton:—

1. "That the date of holding the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge in each year shall be changed from the month of July to another month."

2. "That in the event of the foregoing motion being carried by the requisite majority, the month of meeting shall be designated immediately thereafter by resolution of Grand Lodge."

3. "That all sections of the Constitution which are dependent upon such date shall be forthwith amended to conform thereto."

2. By M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland:—

"That section 32 of the Constitution be amended by deleting all the words from 'The' in line 1 to 'Lodge' in line 3 and substituting therefor the following: 'The election of the District Deputy Grand Master shall be held on the first day of the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge, at such hour as the Grand Master may appoint, and failing other appointment, at the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon'."

3. By M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland:—

“That section 186 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following words: ‘Special provisions may be made on the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes in reference to the jurisdiction in suburban areas adjoining the Cities of Toronto, Hamilton, or Ottawa.’”

4. By R.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus:—

“That the Rules respecting Benevolence be amended as follows:—

1. In Rule 2 by changing the words ‘Board of General Purposes’ to the words ‘Grand Master’.

2. In Rule 4a by omitting all of the last sentence.

3. In Rule 5 by omitting the words ‘the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and’ in line 5.

4. In Rule 6 by inserting after the word ‘relief’ in line 7 the following words, ‘when the local board of relief administers relief other than to transients’.

5. In Rule 6 by omitting all words in lines 15 and 16 and substituting therefor the following, “whenever in any city or town there is a local board of relief, acknowledged as such by Grand Lodge, which administers relief other than to transients’.”

6. In Rule 12 by deleting all this rule and substituting therefor the following: “The income from the Semi-Centennial and Memorial Funds invested and on deposit, shall be available to augment the fund from which the Committee on Benevolence makes grants to the beneficiaries of Grand Lodge’.

7. In Rule 13 by omitting the words ‘the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and’.

PETITIONS

Petitions to divide the existing District of Algoma, and to permit a change of name in War Veterans Lodge, No. 586, and Ancient Landmarks Lodge, U.D., were read by the Grand Secretary, and on motion of the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary, were referred to the Board of General Purposes.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS

The report of the Board on Warrants was presented by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren.

The Committee on Warrants begs leave to report as follows:

We have examined the Petitions, Books and Records of Scarboro Lodge, Agincourt, in District B, Toronto, and Ancient Landmarks Lodge in the Hamilton District, under dispensation and recommend:

That warrants be granted to Scarboro Lodge No. 653, District B, Toronto, and Ancient Landmarks Lodge, No. 654, Hamilton District.

Your Committee further desires to report that the books of both these lodges are in good form, complying with suggestions and directions made by this Committee in former years. We also find that notices of meetings are kept in bound form for future reference. These notices carry very valuable information relating to the lodge's activities more than appear in the recorded minutes.

Many lodges in the jurisdiction appoint an Historian of the lodge. This practice we consider commend-

able and we would be pleased to find the practice made universal. The accuracy of the minutes and registers, and the ready accessibility to them and to the preserved Lodge notices, afford historians of Lodges and Historians of our Order mines of interesting information that cannot be secured from other sources.

Your Committee has considered the petition of Ancient Landmarks Lodge to change its name to "Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks". The charter members in their petition to be granted a Warrant desired the name "Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks". In the dispensation the name of "Ancient Landmarks Lodge" was inserted with the view of shortening the name. The members of the lodge, 114 in number, have expressed their unanimous wish that the original name "Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks" be now given them. No certificates of members in this lodge have been issued; no inconvenience as to change of name of the lodge in the certificates can now be caused, as all certificates will bear the new name if the petition be granted.

Your Committee have pleasure in recommending that the prayer of the petition be granted and that this lodge be known as "Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks" and be numbered as aforesaid.

Your Committee also consider the petition of "War Veterans Lodge" No. 586, G.R.C. Toronto, to have its name changed to "War Veterans Memorial Lodge."

This lodge was formed about ten years ago, and was granted a warrant under the name of "War Veterans Lodge." It has now a membership of 260 or thereabouts. In the year 1929 according to Grand Lodge Report the number initiated into this lodge was 23, the number joined 5, and restored 1, or a total addition of 30, from which must be deducted a loss of 5 by resignation, 2 by death and 3 by suspension, leaving a net gain of membership of 19 for the year. From information received from the office of the Grand Secretary, it would appear that the year 1930 shows a net gain that compares favorably with other lodges in the jurisdiction.

Certificates have been issued by the Grand Secretary's office to the whole of the above membership under the name of "War Veterans Lodge."

Assurance that it is the desire of this large membership to have the name changed has not been supplied to the Committee.

In view of the gratifying growth in membership as shown in the records of and information supplied by the Grand Secretary's office also in view of the considerable inconvenience that would be caused in having these certificates called in and properly endorsed, with the notation as to change of name, and the inconvenience that may be caused to members carrying such certificates without change, and further in view of the absence of assurance that it is the desire of the present large membership for the above change;

Your Committee does not feel justified in recommending that the prayer of the petition be granted on the material before them, but that it be referred back to War Veterans Lodge for further consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. J. ANDERSON,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson and Resolved: That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

The report of the Board on Constitution and Laws was presented by M.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, the President and Members of the Board of General Purposes:

Your Committee on Constitution and Laws report:

1. That there is no constitutional objection to the following motion of M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton:

(1) That the date of holding the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in each year shall be changed from the month of July to another month.

(2) That in the event of the foregoing motion being carried by the requisite majority, the month of meeting shall be designated immediately thereafter by resolution of Grand Lodge.

(3) That all sections of the Constitution which are dependent upon such date shall be forthwith amended to conform thereto.

2. That there is no constitutional objection to the following motion of M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland "That Section 32 of the Constitution be amended by deleting all the words from 'The' in line 1 to 'Lodge' in line 3 and substituting therefor the following: "The election of the District Deputy Grand Master shall be held on the first day of the Annual meeting of Grand Lodge at such hour as the Grand Master may appoint, and failing other appointment, at the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon", being presented to Grand Lodge for consideration.

3. That there is no constitutional objection to the following motion of M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland "That Section 186 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following words: "Special provisions may be made on the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes in reference to the jurisdiction in suburban areas adjoining the Cities of Toronto, Hamilton, or Ottawa" being presented to Grand Lodge for consideration.

4. That there is no constitutional objection to the following motion of R.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus "That the Rules respecting Benevolence be amended as follows:

(1) In Rule 2 by changing the words "Board of General Purposes" to the words "Grand Master".

(2) In Rule 4a by omitting all of the last sentence.

(3) In Rule 5 by omitting the words "The Most Worshipful the Grand Master and" in line 5.

(4) In Rule 6 by inserting after the words "Relief" in line 7 the following words, "when the local board of relief administers relief other than to transients".

(5) In Rule 6 by omitting all words in lines 15 and 16 and substituting therefor the following, "whenever in any city or town there is a local board of relief, acknowledged as such by Grand Lodge, which administers relief other than to transients."

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE,
Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Wardrope, the report was received and adopted.

MOTION DISPOSED OF

M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland presented the following motion, which was seconded by the Deputy Grand Master and carried:

That Section 32 of the Constitution be amended by deleting all the words from "The" in line 1 to "Lodge" in line 3 and substituting therefor the following: "The election of the District Deputy Grand Master shall be held on the first day of the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge at such hour as the Grand Master may appoint, and failing other appointment, at the hour of five o'clock in the afternoon."

CALLED OFF

Grand Lodge was called from labour at one o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 2.30 o'clock p.m., the Grand Master on the Throne.

LONG SERVICE MEDALS

At the request of the Grand Master, a Long Service Medal was presented to V.W. Bro. A. N. Pettit by M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, who congratulated the brother on the distinction he had earned.

Bro. Pettit replied briefly but feelingly.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

In the absence of R.W. Bro. John D. Spence, the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry was read by R.W. Bro. Rt. Rev. C. A. Seager, as follows:

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada within the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

Growth and progress—slow but steady— while the world has been marking time; useful service in a time of industrial unemployment; increased benevolence in a time, when, if ever, benevolence has been sorely needed; so might be summarized the record of the Masonic bodies of Ontario during the year just past. Report after report from every part of the province bears witness to the effect of the economic depression on the operations of many of our lodges—applications deferred, dues in arrear, rents and other expenses to which the brethren had committed themselves in more prosperous years proving now a burden. But, in spite of all, a spirit of resolution and confidence and in almost all cases a small but substantial increase in membership, a cutting away of dead timber but a sparing of branches that may yet bear fruit, a revision of expenditures to meet the neces-

sities of the times and perhaps even closer scrutiny of applications for membership than when candidates were more numerous. Masonry in Ontario is standing the strain; showing itself sound, stalwart and well-disciplined.

A passage in the report of this Committee last year which called attention to the exacting nature of the duties of the Grand Master has been heavily underlined by the death, in the prime of life and in the full tide of his activities, of our well-beloved and Most Worshipful brother, John S. Martin—for whom well-beloved is no cant term of conventional esteem, but a sincere expression of the personal affection of many and many a Mason throughout Ontario. Fortunately we do not need to assume that his duties as Grand Master were the cause of his untimely passing, but it is unquestionably true that those duties, added to the cares of his private business and his responsibilities as a Minister of the Crown, placed upon him a burden that we should not ask our Chief Executive to assume. Your Committee ventures again to express the hope that means may speedily be found of lightening that burden for those who come after him.

Your Committee has been much impressed by the evidence contained in its correspondence during the year, of the need and demand for some system of Masonic education. Where an attempt has been made to meet that demand, it has been eagerly welcomed; obviously there is a desire to probe into the history and meaning of Masonry; to understand its symbolism; to give body and force to its teaching; to mark it off from imitative Clubs and Societies which have sprung up on all sides; and make it more and more significant in the lives of its members and the communities in which they live. In some way this demand should be met; perhaps it is part of a movement by which the world, tired of incessant jazz and eroticism, is returning slowly to a saner and steadier, and so a happier, way of life.

Your Committee has found a little evidence in some localities of practices which must not continue if Masonry is to be useful and respected as in the past. It has been the pride of Canadian, as of English, Masonry that

partisan politics, whether national or municipal, have never been allowed to enter our portals; and that sectional propaganda has found no place there. To permit candidates or others to use our lodges or their association with Masonry for political or sectional purposes, by any method direct or indirect, is contrary to the whole spirit of Masonry and is most disloyal to our Order. There has been very little of this sort of thing; it should be stamped out ruthlessly. Worshipful Masters who permit it should be brought to realize the seriousness of the offence; and the actual offenders should be made to feel the full force of Masonic discipline.

Equally foreign to the spirit of helpful and self-respecting Masonry is the desire for publicity which has led in some cases to the reporting in the press of the proceedings of private lodges, even to the names of candidates for the various degrees. Our lodges should be as safe from publicity as our homes. It cannot be too often repeated that Masonry, at its best, is reticent and retiring; parade and publicity are harmful to it; like charity, it vaunteth not itself.

Your Committee, sincerely convinced that Masonry should have as few entangling alliances as possible, made enquiry as to the effect upon it, if any, of certain bodies which are sometimes associated with Masonry in the popular mind. The enquiry brought out diverse replies. The greater number reported no effect, good or bad. Some reported quite adversely; others rather favorably. But one answer contained the following, as part of a frank, well-considered and valuable discussion of Masonic conditions.

"We simply do not understand the antipathy displayed by our Grand Lodge towards the Order of the Eastern Star."

This remark, by a well-informed brother in an official position, makes it desirable to re-state the attitude of Grand Lodge towards this and other non-Masonic bodies. Grand Lodge has no antipathy towards them. It is ready to believe (and there is evidence to support the belief) that they are doing much good work,

charitable and other. But Grand Lodge cannot accept the responsibility of allowing bodies which are not under its control to be represented or to be understood in the public mind as being Masonic. Nor (except in the case of certain Societies specially recognized pursuant to resolution of Grand Lodge) is it permissible that any brother shall join any such body in his character as a Mason, thus giving a pseudo-Masonic character to its organization and activities. May these bodies go on and prosper in good works! but let it be distinctly understood that they live by their own merits, that they have no association, even the most remote, with Freemasonry, which, in all amity, must maintain its own course, carrying its own responsibilities, preserving its ancient traditions and landmarks.

Regrets continue to be expressed that the average attendance in our lodges is still too small a percentage of the total membership. It is inevitable, in the older lodges, that there shall be a considerable number who no longer attend regularly, or at all; though they may preserve a warm affection for their lodge and pride in their membership. Grieve not, therefore, brethren, but plan to make your meetings more attractive, more informative, earlier in closing; giving more interest and more value for the time the brethren are asked to spend. There is, in many lodges, a great reserve of interest which is never brought into action. Many a brother with special talents or knowledge or experience that could add much to our meetings remains mute throughout the year. Our Order is a social order. It is as much the duty of the individual member to contribute of his best to the pleasure and profit of our meetings as to contribute to its objects of benevolence.

In this, as in the graver and more onerous tasks of Masonry, may we not dedicate ourselves anew to the purposes of our Order, as we begin another year under new leadership. Not without pride have we assured ourselves that Freemasonry in Ontario continues to perform a useful service, commanding the respect of all, relieving distress, uniting men of good will in sustained endeavour for the common weal. Discouraging faction, affording a friendly meeting ground for men of widely

differing opinions, it may promote in the future as in the past a better understanding, a broader charity, a more generous co-operation among men and classes and communities throughout the province and in a wider sphere.

Freemasonry in Ontario may front the future with confident eyes, striving ever for faith without credulity; clean living without prudery; charity without ostentation; toleration without abatement of principle; public service without the spirit of faction; reason, moderation and fair dealing in all things. Ahead of us lie years in which the whole fabric of our civilization is to be tested; Masonry takes her stand not with any class or system but upon the basic principles by which every class and system must be tried. In those days there will be need for temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice; no force in our communities will be able to exert a greater influence toward steadiness and right action than the Masonic Order, if it be but bravely and wisely led, committing itself to no specific social programme, but maintaining always its loyalty to the Supreme Ruler, Whose emblem is in the centre of every lodge room.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. SPENCE,
Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Seager and Resolved: That the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

SPEECHES FROM VISITORS

On request of the Grand Master the following distinguished guests addressed the brethren and were warmly received and applauded:

V.W. Bro. Shaw, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; M.W. Bro. W. M. Couper, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and V.W. Bro. Walter G. Price, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada.

REPORT ON DIVISION OF DISTRICT

M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone presented the report of the Special Committee, to which had been referred the petition for the division of Algoma District, as follows:
M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

The application for division of the Algoma District, which consists of fifteen lodges, into two districts came before the members of your committee at the last session of Grand Lodge. Page 315 of the printed proceedings of Grand Lodge for the year 1930 contains your Committee's report thereon, with the request that the matter of sub-division of the district be allowed to stand over for another year. In the printed circular of the Grand Secretary for the present Grand Lodge meeting, notification was given that the application for the division of the District would be attended to. The present Grand Master came to the aid of your Committee in order to have an understanding arrived at between the several lodges of the district and during his visit to the West he met R.W. Bro. Merwyn F. Beyer, D.D.G.M. of the District, and on his return he decided on recommending the following division of the District, namely:

That the Algoma District be divided into two Districts, one to be known as Algoma District and to consist of the following lodges:

- No. 287, Shuniah, Port Arthur.
- No. 415, Fort William, Fort William.
- No. 453, Royal, Fort William.
- No. 499, Port Arthur, Port Arthur.
- No. 511, Connaught W., Fort William
- No. 584, Kaministiquia, Fort William.
- No. 618, Thunder Bay, Port Arthur.

seven in all, and the other to be known as Western District and to consist of the following lodges:

- No. 414, Pequonga, Kenora.
- No. 417, Keewatin, Keewatin.
- No. 445, Lake of the Woods, Kenora.
- No. 446, Granite, Fort Frances.

No. 461, Ionic, Rainy River
No. 484, Golden Star, Dryden
No. 518, Sioux Lookout, Sioux Lookout.
No. 631, Manitou, Emo.

eight in all.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. T. MALONE,

Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Malone, the report was received and adopted.

ADDRESS

At the request of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. H. W. Dean, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts addressed the brethren, relating his tour around the world in a most interesting half-hour talk. The members of Grand Lodge were intensely appreciative as was evidenced by their hearty applause at the conclusion of the Grand Master's narrative.

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

The Grand Master appointed W. Bro. Jas. W. Hamilton, as Chairman of the Committee of Scrutineers, with power to select his assistants.

NOMINATIONS

The Grand Master called for nominations for the elective offices of Grand Lodge.

CALLED OFF

At 4.15 p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labour to be convened at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday.

SECOND DAY

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 9.30 o'clock a.m., the Grand Master on the throne.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

The report of the Board on Printing and Supplies was presented by R.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Wor. Sir and Brethren:

Once more it is my privilege to present, on behalf of the Committee, on this the 76th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, a detailed analysis of expenditures for Printing and Supplies for the year ending the 31st, May, 1931.

Printing for Grand Lodge Meeting, 1930.....	\$ 221.37	
Printing for Grand Lodge Meeting, 1931.....	26.26	
Proceedings, 1930.....	2,886.10	
Binding.....	\$ 19.70	
Printed Forms.....	108.52	
		128.22
Stationery and Supplies.....		186.36
Christmas Cards.....		53.53
Circulars.....		227.31
Mailing Boxes.....		106.05
Certificates.....		47.07
Constitutions.....	\$1,343.30	
History.....	2,590.95	
		3,934.25
		<hr/> \$7,816.52

The contract for the printing of Constitutions having expired, your Committee would ask permission to renew on the same favorable terms.

Your Committee again draws the attention of the members to the fact that the amount expended on Constitutions, Masonic History and Special Printing is returnable to Grand Lodge through the sale of the same to the lodges and brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

R. F. RICHARDSON,
Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Richardson, the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

The report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals was presented by R.W. Bro. Alex. Cowan, as follows:

I beg to present the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals.

1.—Union Lodge No. 380, G.R.C. London, vs. Bro. Percy F. Cunningham

The facts in this case are set out in the 1929 proceedings at pages 351 and 352 and in the 1930 proceedings at page 321.

Bro. Cunningham is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

2.—John Ross Robertson Lodge No. 545 G. R. C. Toronto vs Bro. D. D. Lloyd.

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 322 and 323.

Bro. Lloyd is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

3.—Riverdale Lodge No. 494 G.R.C. vs. Bro. Raymond F. Wood.

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 323.

Bro. Lloyd is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**4.—Melita Lodge No. 605, Toronto, vs.
Bro. James Carson**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 323 and 324.

Bro. Carson is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**5.—Bay of Quinte Lodge No. 620 G.R.C. vs.
Bro. Harold W. Hubbs**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 324 and 325.

Bro. Hubbs is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**6.—Stirling Lodge No. 69, G.R.C., Stirling, vs.
Bro. Norman A. Moore**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 325.

Bro. Moore is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**7.—Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, G.R.C., Stratford
vs. Bro. A. E. F. Jones**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 326 and 327.

Bro. Jones is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**8.—Burlington Lodge No. 165, G.R.C., Burlington
vs. Bro. John Rattenbury**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 327.

Bro. Rattenbury is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**9.—Burlington Lodge No. 165, G.R.C. Burlington,
vs. Bro. Leonard Sykes.**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 327 and 328.

Bro. Sykes is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**10.—Acacia Lodge No. 580, G.R.C., London vs.
Bro. E. A. Aikens**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 328.

Bro. Aikens is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**11.—Buchanan Lodge No. 550, G.R.C., Mount
Hamilton vs. Bro. John Hunt.**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at pages 328 and 329.

Bro. Hunt is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**12.—Acacia Lodge No. 61, G.R.C. Hamilton, vs.
Bro. H. B. Petrie**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 329.

Bro. Petrie is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend that he be expelled.

**13.—Coronati Lodge No. 520, G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. E. E. Lye.**

The facts of this case are set out in the 1930 proceedings at page 330.

Bro. Lye is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. He has not appeared.

The committee, therefore, recommend, that he be expelled.

**14.—North Star Lodge No. 322, G.R.C.
Owen Sound vs. Bro. Angus Munro.**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1929 proceedings at page 351, Grand Lodge having referred the matter back to North Star Lodge for re-trial owing to irregularities in the procedure followed.

At the request of the lodge the M.W. the Grand Master appointed a commission composed of R.W. Bro. J. P. Leslie and W. Bros. John McQuaker and E. T. MacDonald to look into the procedure followed in the conduct of the trial and report their findings.

The commission report that "the trial of this case has been fully investigated by your commission and we find said trial was carried out in accordance with the rules laid down in the constitution with one exception, namely, that the trial was completed at the time the charge was made and accepted by the lodge instead of allowing a period of thirty days to intervene and the commission recommend that "the finding of North Star Lodge be upheld and that Bro. Angus Munro be expelled from the Order."

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge and of the commission and recommend that Bro. Munro be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**15. —Palestine Lodge No. 559 G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. Morris Pinkus Greenberg**

This brother was charged before Emerson Coatsworth, Esquire, a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto, of having in the years 1928 and 1929 at the City of Toronto stolen the sum of \$11,000 or more, the property of the Sterling Hosiery Mills, Limited, contrary to section 386 of the Criminal Code to which charge the Brother pleaded guilty and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Ontario Reformatory for a space of six months, and an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding twelve months.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the lodge.

He was subsequently placed on trial, found guilty and definitely suspended for twelve months on the 9th of day of January, 1930.

The proceedings in the case were not forwarded to the Grand Secretary in time to be placed before the committee to be dealt with at the 1930 communication of Grand Lodge.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge as to the guilt of the brother but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft and recommend that he be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**16.—Stanley Lodge No. 426 G.R.C., Toronto vs
Bro. John Rait**

The facts of this case are set out in the 1929 proceedings at pages 350 and 351.

The Brother has since been regularly tried by his lodge, found guilty and recommended for expulsion.

There is, however, evidence before the committee that Bro. Rait since his trial has died as the result of an accident. The committee recommend that no further action be taken.

**17.—Keystone Lodge No. 412, G.R.C. Sault Ste.
Marie, vs. Bro. W. H. Dudley**

This brother pleaded guilty to an indictable offence under section 303 of the Criminal Code at the fall assizes holden at the City of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma, and was sentenced by the presiding judge to fifteen years in Portsmouth Penitentiary, Kingston.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was subsequently laid against him. He was regularly tried, found guilty and recommended for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**18.—St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. Frank G. Anderson**

The facts in this case are set out in the 1926 proceedings at pages 384 and 385.

Bro. Anderson was charged with false pretences, attempt to defraud, and theft of various sums of money from several financial institutions and was expelled from the craft.

He now petitions Grand Lodge to be restored setting out in his petition that he is seeking re-instatement on the ground that he has been punished both by civil and masonic tribunals, has served his sentence, purge his guilt and is now, and since his release from penitentiary has continuously acted and lived as becomes a man of honor and a mason.

He also sets out in his petition that he is not seeking restoration of masonic privileges for any mercenary or other unworthy or improper or dishonorable purpose.

His petition is supported by a resolution of St. Andrew's Lodge passed by a vote of 59 for and 4 against recommending to Grand Lodge his restoration to the privileges and benefits of membership in the craft.

The committee recommend that this case be laid over until the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

**19.—John Ross Robertson Lodge No. 545, G.R.C.
Toronto, vs. Bro. Lawrence Boyd.**

This brother was charged by the Junior Warden of his lodge that he did during the month of April 1930 falsely represent himself to be a Master Mason in good standing for the purpose of gaining admission into Royal Arch Masonry.

M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel the Grand Master appointed a commission composed of M.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, R.W. Bro. H. G. French and V.W. Bro. W. B. Milliken, to investigate the charges and to report and recommend thereon.

The commission entered upon their duties and went exhaustively into the whole case and find in part as follows:

1. "The evidence clearly established, and the accused brother admits, that the latter signed the application for admission into King Cyrus Chapter No. 232 of Royal Arch Masons set out on page 78 of the evidence at a time when the accused brother was not a Master Mason, and that he received the three Chapter degrees when he was not a Master Mason.

2. "Your commission, therefore, finds that the charge "that he did during the month of April, 1930, falsely represent himself to be a Master Mason in good standing for the purpose of gaining admission into Royal Arch Masonry" has been proved and the accused brother is found guilty upon that charge."

3. "Your commission, not being satisfied that the offence charged and proved constituted a Masonic Offence within the meaning of the rules of Grand Lodge respecting trials for masonic offences refrains from inflicting punishment on the accused brother until the Most Worshipful the Grand Master has determined that the offence charged is a masonic offence.

4. "Your commission recommends that should the Most Worshipful the Grand Master determine the offence charged and proved to be a masonic offence, the punishment to be inflicted shall be definite suspension for the term of twelve months."

The committee have carefully gone into the evidence and the findings of the commission and are of the opinion that the offence charged is a masonic offence and that Brother Boyd should be expelled from the craft, and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime he be suspended.

**20.—Oakwood Lodge No. 553, G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. Harold Gledhill.**

This brother was convicted at the sittings of the County Judge's Criminal Court holden at the City of Toronto on the 26th day of March, 1931, on three charges of having stolen certain sums of money from three different persons, and sentenced to a term of four months in the Ontario Reformatory and an indeterminate period thereafter not to exceed two months.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge which charge was regularly accepted by the lodge.

The M. W. the Grand Master at the request of the lodge appointed R.W. Bros. R. Reade Davis, H. G. French and J. M. Malcolm a commission to try the brother.

The commission entered upon their duties and found the brother guilty and recommended that he be expelled from the craft.

The committee concur in the findings of the commission and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**21—Buchanan Lodge No. 550, G.R.C., Hamilton
vs. Bro. W. J. Buttery**

This brother was convicted before Robert J. Browne, a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto, on the 16th day of May, 1930, of having robbed one Nora Jones of the sum of \$22, the property of the Burgers Candy Company and sentenced to six years in the Kingston Penitentiary and to receive ten straps.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid by the Senior Warden of the lodge which charge was duly accepted by the lodge. At the request of the lodge a commission composed of R.W. Bros. G. B. MacConachie, Chas. T. Farrell and W. F. Randall were appointed to try the brother.

The commission entered upon their duties on April 27th 1931, at eight o'clock P.M. and found the brother guilty of the charge.

The accused did not appear and the commission after taking sufficient evidence found the brother guilty and report in part as follows:

"Your commission, therefore, find the accused guilty of the offence, as charged, and in view of the number of charges on which this accused has appeared in Police Court and the serious nature of the same and in view of the fact that the above named accused had a Police Court record before the date of his original application your commission recommend his expulsion from the craft forthwith."

The committee concur in the finding of recommendation of the commission and recommend that Bro. Buttery be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**22.—War Veterans Lodge No. 586, G.R.C., Toronto,
vs. Bro. Jas. K. Young**

This brother was convicted by Emerson Coatsworth, Esquire, a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto, for that he, the accused in the years 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929 and 1930 at the City of Toronto unlawfully did steal \$593.35 in money the property of Aughrim Rose O'Derry Loyal Orange Lodge No. 2159, contrary to section 386 of the Criminal Code and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Reformatory for Ontario for a space of six months and in addition thereto an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding twelve months at hard labor.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against the brother which charge was regularly accepted by the lodge. At the request of the lodge the M.W. the Grand Master appointed a commission composed of R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, R. Reade Davis and H. G. French to try the brother.

He was regularly tried by the commission, found guilty and recommended for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that the brother be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**23.—Havelock Lodge No. 238, G.R.C. Watford, vs.
Bro. Samuel G. Williams**

This brother was convicted on the 27th day of December 1930, at the County Judges' Criminal Court for the County of Lambton of the crime of bigamy, found guilty and sentenced to a term of imprisonment, but there is no record amongst the papers of the length of the term imposed.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of the lodge, which charge was accepted by the lodge, and he was regularly tried on the 26th day of May, 1931, when the brother was found guilty and suspended for a definite period of three months.

The committee concur in the findings of the lodge as to the guilt of the brother, but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft and recommend that the brother be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**24.—Abitibi Lodge No. 540 G.R.C., Iroquois Falls
vs. Bro. Frederick P. Moffat**

A charge of unmasonic conduct involving a violation of subsection 19 of section 1 respecting trials for masonic offences was laid against this brother.

The charge was regularly accepted by the lodge and the W.M. appointed three Past Masters to take the evidence of witnesses who were not masons.

The committee met at the office of W. Bro. W. J. Grummett, the W. M. of the lodge, after due notice to Bro. Moffat, R.W. Bro. F. K. Ebbitt appearing for Bro. Moffat, the brother not appearing before the committee or at his trial.

Upon the ballot being taken he was found guilty by a vote of 15 to 3. A ballot was then taken as to the punishment when the brethren voted 10 for and 8 against indefinite suspension and on a ballot being taken on definite suspension the result was 12 for and 6 against. A ballot was then taken for three years suspension which resulted in 15 votes for and 3 against.

The committee agree with the lodge as to the guilt and punishment of the brother, and recommend accordingly.

**25.—Wentworth Lodge No. 166 G.R.C. Stoney Creek,
vs. Bro. J. F. Felker.**

This brother was convicted of a penal offence under the Criminal Code at Hamilton on October 14th, 1930, and by the County Magistrate's Court on January 29th, 1931, on a further charge.

He was sentenced by His Honor Judge Thompson to twelve months in the Ontario Reformatory with a further indeterminate sentence of not more than three months and by the Police Magistrate to not less than twelve months in the Ontario Reformatory nor more than fifteen months, the two sentences to run concurrently.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was preferred against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge which charge was duly accepted by the lodge.

A commission composed of R.W. Bros. F. W. Davidson and R.W. Small and V.W. Bro. W. Ostler was appointed by the N.W. the Grand Master to try the brother.

He was found guilty by the commission suspended indefinitely and recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion from the craft.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that he be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**26.—Civil Service Lodge No. 148, G.R.C., Ottawa
vs. Bro. J. F. Perry**

This brother was convicted on the 17th day of December, A.D. 1930 and sentenced by His Honor John T. Mulcahy, Judge of the County Court of the County of Renfrew to six months imprisonment in Burwash Reformatory for that he did on or about the 6th day of January, A.D., 1930, with intent to defraud by false pretences obtain from one John R. Byce two bonds of \$1,000 each in the value of \$2,000 issued by Eastern Dairies Limited contrary to section 405 of the Criminal Code.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was subsequently laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge upon instructions from the Grand Master.

At the request of the lodge the M.W. the Grand Master appointed a commission to try the brother composed of R.W. Bros. E. J. McCleery, E. S. McPhail, A. H. McKee and J. A. Ross.

He was subsequently placed on trial by the commission, found guilty and suspended indefinitely.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission as to the guilt of the brother, but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft and recommend that he be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**27.—Stanley Lodge No. 426, G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. Wm. Banks**

This brother was convicted by Robert James Browne, Esq., a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto, of stealing a number of valuable securities, to wit, bonds of the Province of Ontario and the Corporation of the City of Toronto, the property of the Chapter General of Canada, Knights Malta, and sentenced to imprisonment in the Reformatory for Ontario for a space of eighteen months and in addition thereto an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding twelve months.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was subsequently laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge, which charge was regularly accepted by the lodge.

The brother was subsequently placed on trial and found guilty by a vote of 24 to 2 and on a further ballot he was recommended to be indefinitely suspended.

The committee concur with the lodge as to the guilt of the brother, but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft, and, therefore, recommend that he be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**28.—Buchanan Lodge No. 550, G.R.C., Hamilton
vs. Bro. Isaac G. Alexandor**

A charge was laid by the Senior Warden of his lodge against this brother for soliciting money and receiving same from an applicant for initiation into Buchanan Lodge in order to insure his admission into the lodge.

The M.W. the Grand Master appointed a commission composed of R.W. Bros. G. B. MacConachie, Charles T. Farrell and W. F. Randall to try the brother.

W. Bro. T. H. Simpson appeared before the commission as prosecutor and Bro. Alexandor appeared on his own behalf.

The evidence of several witnesses was taken and the brother was found guilty of wronging a mason by fraud and recommended for expulsion from the order forthwith.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that Bro. Alexandor be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**29.—Temple Lodge No. 525, Toronto, vs. Bro. Wm.
Percy Gilderoy**

This brother is charged with unmasonic conduct involving a violation of section 19 of rule 1, the charge being laid by the Junior Warden of his lodge.

The M.W. the Grand Master at the request of the lodge appointed R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, H. G. French and R. Reade Davis a commission to try the brother.

The brother was regularly tried by the commission, found guilty and recommended for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that Bro. Gilderoy be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**30.—Humber Lodge No. 305, G.R.C., Weston
vs. Bro. Ralph M. Wilby**

The brother was convicted before Robert James Browne, Esq., a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto for that he, the accused, did unlawfully steal \$1,300.42 the property of the Royal Bank of Canada, Harold Frank Wallace and the Brazilian Traction Light and Power Company, Ltd., contrary to the Criminal Code, Section 386, and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Reformatory for Ontario for a space of one year and in addition thereto an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding one year and also he was on the said date convicted before the said Robert James Browne that he did in the year 1930 unlawfully commit forgery on a document purporting to be a letter dated July 7th, 1928, to the Royal Bank of Canada signed by Harold Frank Wallace contrary to the Criminal Code, section 468, and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Reformatory for Ontario for a space of one year and in addition thereto an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding one year.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge and a commission appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master composed of R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, H. G. French and R. Reade Davis to try the brother.

V.W. Bro. A. E. Scythes represented the lodge and W Bro. H. T. Musson represented the defendant at his trial. He was found guilty by the commission and recommended to be expelled from the order.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that the brother be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**31.—Patricia Lodge No. 587, G.R.C., Toronto, vs.
Bro. Wm. Milne**

This brother was found guilty of manslaughter with a strong recommendation to mercy on April 29th, 1931, and sentenced to imprisonment for life in the Kingston Penitentiary by the Honorable Mr. Justice Rainey.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against the brother by the Junior Warden of his lodge.

The charge was regularly accepted by the lodge and a date appointed for the trial.

Brother Milne wrote a letter to the Secretary of the lodge pleading guilty to the charge and the lodge upon voting whether the brother was found guilty or not guilty, after a ballot being taken, found him guilty.

A ballot was then taken as to the punishment when the brethren voted that Bro. Milne should be suspended indefinitely.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge as to the guilt of the brother but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the Craft and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**32.—Thunder Bay Lodge No. 618, G.R.C. vs.
Bro. Frank Parker.**

A charge of unmasonic conduct, namely of wronging a brother by fraud, was laid against this brother by Bro. A. D. Chapman.

The charge was regularly accepted by the lodge and a date fixed by the W. Master for the trial.

R.W. Bro. McComb occupied the chair during the trial of the brother while the W. Master, Bro. A. E. Chase, appeared for the accused in his absence.

Bro. Chapman gave evidence that Bro. Parker had, while in his employ, appropriated to his own use the sum of \$4,388.00 during a period of four years.

He also gave evidence that Bro. Parker had signed a written statement admitting his guilt.

On a ballot being taken as to whether the Brother is guilty or not guilty there was an unanimous ballot finding him guilty of the charge.

On a further ballot being taken as to indefinite suspension the majority of the ballots were in favor of indefinite suspension and he was thereupon declared indefinitely suspended from Thunder Bay Lodge No. 618 G.R.C.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge as to the guilt of the brother, but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft, and, therefore, recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**33.—River Park Lodge No. 356, G.R.C., Streetsville
vs. Bro. Wellington Dunn**

This brother was convicted before R. C. Bull, Police Magistrate at Brampton, of stealing a number of fowl from one Russell Jamieson and sentenced to fifteen days in the County Jail, on September 15th, 1930.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge.

The M.W. the Grand Master at the request of the lodge appointed a commission composed of R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, J. H. Alexander and Smith Shaw to try the brother.

The charge was duly accepted by the lodge, the brother placed on trial by the commission and found guilty and indefinitely suspended.

On a further ballot being taken he was recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding and recommendation of the lodge and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**34.—The Beaches Lodge No. 473, G.R.C., Toronto
vs. Bro. F. E. Bennett.**

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against this brother by Bro. J. D. Strachan, a member of Orient Lodge No. 339 G.R.C., in as much as he did approach R.W. Bro. Belding Secretary of the San Diego Board of Relief and did induce the said Bro. Belding to advance a certain amount of money, namely, \$35. on the presentation of a cheque issued on a Detroit Bank at which Bank no account was held by the said Bennett.

The charge was regularly received by his lodge and the trial proceeded with at an emergent meeting held in the Temple Building, Balsam Avenue, on the 27th day of February, 1930.

After the evidence was submitted the brother was declared guilty upon a ballot being taken.

A ballot being taken as to indefinite suspension it was declared in favor of same and a ballot being taken recommending the brother be expelled was defeated.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge as to the guilt of the brother, but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft, and, therefore, recommend that he be summoned to appear before the board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

35. —Re Norfolk Lodge No. 10, G.R.C., Simcoe.

It having been brought to the attention of The Most Wor. the Grand Master that matters in connection with this lodge were not running very smoothly for a considerable period of time, he appointed R.W. Bros. T. A. Carson and H. J. Alexander a commission to investigate certain lack of harmony in Norfolk lodge.

The commission entered upon their duties and have gone exhaustively into the conduct and management of the affairs of the lodge for several years; have examined several witnesses including the then W.M., S. and J. Wardens, the immediate Past Master and a P.D.D.G.M. of the district in which Norfolk Lodge is located; have adjourned their investigation several times in the hope that harmony might be restored in the interval and have reported at considerable length to the M.W. the Grand Master their opinions as to the conditions in the lodge with certain suggestions as to what they think might if acceded to, restore harmony among the brethren.

As the commission, however, have made no definite recommendation to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master or to Grand Lodge your committee feel that there is nothing before them requiring action on their part.

The committee, however, express the hope that the investigation by the commission, which appears to have been carried out in a most kindly and brotherly manner, may have the desired effect and that the brethren of this lodge will hereafter "work together with that love and harmony which should at all times characterize free masons."

36.—Ulster Lodge No. 537 G.R.C., Toronto vs. Bro. John Weir

This brother was convicted before Robert James Browne, Esq., a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto for that he in the year 1929 at the City of Toronto unlawfully did steal a quantity of blanket cloth and other articles value over \$10., contrary to section 386 of the Criminal Code and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Toronto Municipal Farm for men for a space of fourteen days at hard labor.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was subsequently laid against him by a brother of his lodge, which charge was in due course accepted by the lodge.

The brother was placed on trial, found guilty and by a majority vote of the brethren he was indefinitely suspended and by a further vote it was recommended to grand lodge that he be expelled.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge, and, therefore, recommend that the brother be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**37.—Queen City Lodge No. 552, G.R.C., Toronto vs.
Bro. Joseph N. Robinson**

This brother was convicted before James Edmund Jones, Esq., a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto for that he in the years 1928, 1929, and 1930 at the City of Toronto unlawfully did steal the sum of \$5476.27 in money the property of the Coniagas Mines Ltd. and was adjudged to be imprisoned in the Reformatory for Ontario for a space of two years less one day and in addition thereto an indeterminate term thereafter not exceeding one year.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was subsequently laid against the brother, which charge was regularly accepted by the lodge and a commission composed of R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, R. Reade Davis and H. G. French appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master to try the brother.

The commission on the evidence submitted to them found the brother guilty, suspended him and recommended to Grand Lodge that he be expelled from the craft.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission, and therefore, recommend, that the brother be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**38.—Shamrock Lodge No. 533, G.R.C., Toronto vs.
Bro. Albert A. Templin**

This brother was convicted by Robert James Browne, Esquire, a Police Magistrate in and for the City of Toronto for that he within three months ending the 21st day of January, 1930, at the City of Toronto, did unlawfully give, sell or otherwise supply liquor to a person under the age of twenty years in contravention of the Liquor Control Act and was sentenced to imprisonment in the Common Jail for a space of three months for said offence.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge and a commission was appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master composed of R.W. Bros. J. M. Malcolm, R. Reade Davis and H. G. French to try the brother.

He was subsequently placed on trial by the commission, found guilty and recommended for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission, and, therefore, recommend that the brother be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled, and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**39.—Great Western Lodge No. 47, G.R.C., Windsor,
vs. Bro. Percy G. Rowlands**

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against this brother involving a violation of subsection 16 and 19 of section one of the rules respecting masonic offences by Bro. E. S. Totten of Harmony Lodge No. 579, Windsor, Ontario, which charge was regularly accepted by the lodge and the trial took place at an emergent meeting held on March 19th, 1931.

The M.W. appointed Bro. George F. Warlow, A Justice of the Peace, and a member of Ontario Lodge No. 521, to act as stenographer and assist in conducting the trial.

The W.M. also appointed Bro. John E. Taylor, Barrister, and a member of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 642 to act on behalf of Bro. Rowlands who did not appear.

A ballot was taken as to the innocence or guilt of Bro. Rowlands upon which he was found guilty.

A further ballot was taken as to indefinite suspension and by a ballot of 58 to 10 declared in favor of indefinite suspension.

A ballot was then taken and by a vote of 58 to 10 the brother was recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the lodge, and therefore, recommend that he be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**40.—St. Andrew's Lodge No. 593, G.R.C., Hamilton,
vs. Bro. Alonzo Dickens Forrester**

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against this brother by the Junior Warden of his lodge involving a violation of subsection 19 of section one of the rules respecting masonic trials.

A commission composed of R.W. Bros. E. T. Dixon, G. B. MacConachie and James Gill was appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master to try the brother.

He was subsequently placed on trial, found guilty by the commission and recommended for expulsion.

The committee concur in the finding of the commission and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**41.—The Beaches Lodge No. 473, G.R.C. Toronto
vs. Bro. Trevor Hicks Shutt.**

This brother pleaded guilty to a charge that he did in the years 1928, 1929 and 1930 unlawfully conspire together with other persons by deciet or falsehood or other fraudulent means to affect the public market price of stocks and shares publicly sold contrary to section 444 of the Criminal Code and was sentenced to serve two years, five months and eighteen days in the Kingston Penitentiary by His Lordship Mr. Justice Jeffrey.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against him by the Junior Warden of his lodge. The M.W. the Grand Master appointed a commission composed of R.W. Bros. T. A. Carson and R. R. McKeown and ——— to try the brother.

He was placed on trial, Bro. J. Earl Lawson appearing for him, and found guilty by the commission.

The finding of the commission is as follows:

“Your Board is of the opinion that the practice for which he was sentenced on a plea of guilty was a practice which was not at all peculiar to the particular firm of which he was a member and that by general practice Bro. Shutt may have come to look upon his action as one that was not open to the condemnation it is now receiving.

"Under the circumstances as so presented your Board is of the opinion and would recommend that the mantle of masonic charity be spread but that at the same time it would be impossible entirely to overlook the offence for which by the criminal law of our country this brother is serving a sentence in the Provincial Penitentiary.

There is the further matter for consideration by the Grand Lodge, that it has been stated before this Board that in some countries the very offence for which Bro. Shutt was convicted is perfectly legal and that if committed by a mason in that country, the civil law at least would not condemn him.

"Your Board is hardly of the opinion that this is a case which should be punished by expulsion from the Order and we would therefore recommend that the brother be indefinitely suspended until such time as he has an opportunity personally and makes application to the Grand Lodge to have his suspension removed."

The committee concur in the finding of the commission as to the guilt of the brother but are of the opinion that he should be expelled from the craft and recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**42.—W. Bro. Norman W. Ford, University Lodge
No. 496, Toronto, et al.**

This matter comes before the Committee at the request of W. Bro. Norman W. Ford.

The burden of his complaint is that certain allegations which were tantamount to a charge of unmasonic conduct were made against him in University Lodge, of which he is an affiliated member; that no formal charge was ever preferred, and no trial was held, and that without being given an opportunity to defend himself, he was to all intents and purposes found guilty and deprived of masonic communication with his brethren in the lodge.

Had the complainant rested his case there, there would have been little difficulty. Unfortunately, he has thought it necessary, or deemed it advisable to publish a sort of appeal book containing a mass of correspondence and statements, some of which are exceedingly offensive in their tone.

In view of the recommendation of the Committee, it is not necessary to enter into any discussion of the statements contained in this document, but they feel that the action of Bro. Ford in his connection cannot be allowed to pass unnoticed.

They therefore recommend:

(1) That the Junior Warden of University Lodge be instructed to lay a formal charge against Bro. Ford based upon the allegations set out in the letter from the Worshipful Master to Brother Ford dated May 27, 1930, and published in his statement of appeal.

(2) That upon the acceptance of the charge by University Lodge the Most Worshipful Grand Master appoint a commission to take evidence and to report to him with such recommendations as it may deem proper.

(3) That the said Commission be further instructed to investigate and report on the circumstances in connection with the publication and circulation of the appeal book, and to report thereon to the Most Worshipful The Grand Master with such recommendations as it may deem proper.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. COWAN,

Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Cowan, the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

The report of the Board on Benevolence was presented by R.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, begs leave to report that during the year ending May 31st, 1931, there were disbursed in our benevolent work the following amounts:

Grants from the General Fund authorized at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge ..	\$ 93,345.00
Interim grants from the General Fund by the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, with the approval of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and President of the Board of General Purposes.....	4,215.00
Grants from the interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund	6,275.30
Grants from the interest of the Memorial Fund	13,240.00
Total expended from Grand Lodge Funds	\$117,075.30
Plus estimated grants made by lodges as shown by the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s	95,000.00
Total expended for benevolent purposes.....	\$212,075.30

At this Annual Communication your Committee has considered 847 applications. It is recommended that 17 of these be declined, and that grants be made subject to the Supervisor's inspection as follows:

436 granted through the local boards amounting to	\$ 56,660.00
394 granted through the lodges amounting to.....	50,070.00
	\$106,730.00
Less an approximate 8% reduction by inspection and death.....	8,538.00
	\$ 98,192.00
Special grants authorized by Grand Lodge:—	
Miss Mary Wilson.....	\$ 500.00
Miss M. H. Harris.....	75.00
	\$ 575.00

Total amount of Interim grants from the General Fund (estimated).....	\$ 3,000.00
Grants recommended from the interest of the Semi-Centennial and Memorial Funds at this Annual Communication.....	\$ 23,700.00
Less an approximate $5\frac{1}{8}$ reduction by death and sinpection.....	1,185.00
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	\$ 22,515.00
Additional Interim grants from the unexpended interest of the Semi-Centennial and Memorial Funds (estimated).....	1,000.00
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Total.....	\$125,282.00

It is recommended that we continue the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

While your committee is again regretfully compelled to report that a number of lodges are delinquent in that they have failed to forward their applications for renewal of relief, it is only fair to state that in nearly all these cases the cause was oversight on the part of the master or secretary, which was quickly rectified on the matter being called to their attention. Particularly do we this year owe a debt to the masters and secretaries of lodges by reason of the fact that circumstances have made it necessary for us to correspond to a most unusual extent with many of these officers. We wish to express our appreciation of the courteous and sympathetic attention which has been given during the past year to our requests for information. The spirit of co-operation thus shown has been most gratifying. It cannot but result in an increase in the sympathy felt by the local lodges for the benevolent work carried on by Grand Lodge.

While we have to report that during the past year a total amount of \$117,075.30 was expended out of Grand Lodge funds for benevolent purposes, it is gratifying to note that the disbursements were kept well within the estimate presented at the last Communication of Grand Lodge. It is to be noted that the interim grants during the year were larger than ever before, while the number of new applications laid before us at this meeting has been even greater than last year's record in this respect.

In view of the economic conditions prevailing during the past twelve months it is not surprising that the calls upon the benevolent funds of Grand Lodge have been quite exceptional, and we may perhaps look forward to a continuance of this state of affairs for some time to come. Every effort, therefore, should be made to build up the benevolent funds of Grand Lodge in order that we may be prepared to deal fairly with every deserving application.

Reference should be made to the fact that we are entering upon a distinctly new phase of benevolent work in that we hope before another year has elapsed to initiate a survey particularly with respect to the educational work among the orphan children who are under our care. A number of cases of this kind are now being taken care of with most gratifying results. The usual problem presented in this respect consists of a teen age boy or girl whose widowed mother is no longer able to keep him or her at school. In a number of such cases we have already been privileged to step in and arrange matters so that the child is kept at school during those last few years which mean so much in equipping youth for useful citizenship.

This is constructive benevolence in the best sense; and the brethren should appreciate the fact that if your Committee on Benevolence is enabled to expand our activities in this regard, it is largely owing to the raising of the Memorial Fund. It is not without significance that at the very time when the demands upon the benevolent funds of Grand Lodge show so marked an increase, we are able to meet these increased demands by reason of the fact that the income on the Memorial Fund is available. We feel that it is along the line of this constructive benevolence—educational work among the orphan children—that the next great advance in our benevolent activities should take place.

We are gratified to know that so many more contributions have been donated to the Memorial Fund during the past year. We would emphasize the thought that this Memorial Fund is not a closed fund but will be perpetually open for the free will offerings of kindly dis-

posed brethren. The suggestion is earnestly urged upon the brethren that in drawing their wills they should remember the claims of the Memorial Fund of the Grand Lodge of Canada. It is our hope that by this means the fund will eventually amount to a sum sufficient to permanently endow the benevolent work of Grand Lodge. It is rightly called the Memorial Fund, commemorating the 75th anniversary of the founding of Grand Lodge; but it is a memorial fund also in a very real sense in as much as it offers to each member of the fraternity an opportunity of contributing of his means towards an endowment fund the income on which will be used for all time to come to assist in the care of the widow and the fatherless. Thus each of us is privileged through this fund to set up an individual memorial which will forever speak for the generosity and the true charity of the Masons of this generation.

It is an interesting commentary upon the permanency of our Masonic problems that we are compelled to strike a note of warning to the brethren of to-day in almost the exact language used over seventy years ago by our first Grand Master, M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson. Not many years after the formation of this Grand Lodge he referred in the course of a public address to the fact that an appreciable number of new members were coming into the institution under the mistaken impression that Masonry was a benevolent society and that by joining its membership they were securing for themselves and their families certain guarantees that they would be taken care of in sickness and health. He emphasized that the brother who entered Masonry hoping for material advantages of this kind was entering the institution under entirely wrong ideas. The fact should be restated quite emphatically to-day. A survey of the new cases presented for our attention each year demonstrates that in a large majority of cases the brethren or their dependents find themselves in their present position due to causes quite beyond their control; but it is to be regretfully noted that in a number of instances the information presented to the Committee shows that the brother in question would never have been admitted had the committee of enquiry on his application made a proper investigation of his financial circum-

stances. Masonry is not a luxury for the well-to-do, nor should any worthy man be debarred from enjoying our privileges; but it should be a cardinal principle with every committee of enquiry on new applications that the applicant's financial condition should be such that in all reasonable human probability he or his family will not become a charge upon the benevolent funds. He who proposes to join the Masonic fraternity before he has made adequate financial provision for his dependants should not be surprised if conscientious committees of enquiry report adversely.

In the report of this Committee presented a year ago an appeal was made for a widening and deepening of the personal contact between the representatives of the lodges and the unfortunate brethren or their dependents who are in receipt of Grand Lodge benevolence. It was pointed out that nothing can replace the warmth of human contact and the cheering influence that was brought into those afflicted lives by personal visits and the stimulus of a sympathetic handclasp. We have reason to believe that there has been during the past year an appreciable improvement in this respect, and we would again appeal to the fraternity as a whole to more adequately develop this phase of our work. No aged or afflicted brother, no struggling widow or fatherless child of a Mason should be without the comfort that can be brought to them by the assurance that they are not alone in the world and the knowledge that the Masonic brethren are prepared to see that the load is lightened so far as is humanly possible. One for all and all for each in a firm knit brotherhood that presents a united front against the vicissitudes of life—sharing the misfortunes as well as the joys of our brethren—this should be our ideal.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK A. COPUS,

Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Copus, the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

The report of the Board on Audit and Finance was presented by R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Audit and Finance through the Board of General Purposes, begs leave to report that they have examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary; they have also verified the Annual Statement ending May 31st, 1931, which is certified by the Auditor of Grand Lodge and your Committee find it correct.

Receipts

Balance in Can. Bank of Commerce May 31, 1930	\$ 36,309.48	
Refund from Grand Lodge Expenses, 1930.....	500.00	
Refund from Grand Lodge Payroll cheque.....	136.50	
Refund Local Board of Relief Brockville	\$ 90.00	
Sales of History at Grand Lodge.....	475.00	
Received from Lodges	131,679.85	
	<hr/>	\$132,244.85
Interest on Investments.....	\$ 19,076.33	
Int. on Deposits.....	1,363.09	
	<hr/>	\$ 20,439.42
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Debentures matured and paid.....		\$152,684.27
		16,730.17
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		\$206,360.42

Expenditure

Salaries.....	\$ 11,100.00	
Salary and Retiring Allowance to Miss Place.....	1,749.94	
Auditor's Fee.....	600.00	
Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....	400.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,849.94

Incidentals Grand Treasurer's Office.....		1,500.00
Office rent, Telephone and Safety Box.....	1,180.00	
Insurance on Furniture and Premiums.....	184.00	
		<hr/> 1,364.00
Printing, Stationery, etc.....	621.68	
Constitutions.....	1,343.30	
Certificates and Warrants.....	47.07	
Proceedings, 1930.....	3,173.12	
		<hr/> 5,185.17
Publication of History.....		2,631.35
Postage and Express on History.....	161.91	
Postage, Proceedings.....	219.00	
Postage, Chairman of Committees.....	120.00	
		<hr/> 500.91
Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.....		400.00
Allowance to Grand Master.....	1,500.00	
Allowance to Deputy Grand Master.....	500.00	
Stenographer to Grand Master.....	300.00	
Grand Secretary Travelling Exp.....	352.60	
Extra Stenographer.....	65.00	
Grand Master's Expenses to British Columbia.....	300.00	
Expenses M.W. J. A. Rowland, Nova Scotia.....	83.95	
Regalia Repairs.....	36.67	
Presentation to Deputy Grand Master.....	300.00	
		<hr/> 3,438.22
Portrait of M.W. E. T. Malone.....		1,101.40
Grand Lodge Expenses Toronto, 1930.....		4,940.20
Memorial Tributes.....	31.18	
Special Commissions.....	68.45	
Honorary Presentation Jewels.....	525.16	
Expenses Educational Committee.....	101.89	
		<hr/> 726.68

U.S. and Canada Masonic Relief Association.....	285.59	
		35,923.46
Inspector of Benevolence.....	1,200.00	
Supervisor of Benevolence.....	3,000.00	
Stenographer.....	150.00	
		4,350.00
Benevolent Grants.....	101,795.00	
Less Grants Cancelled.....	4,235.00	
		97,560.00
		<u>\$137,833.46</u>

Investments

Debentures Purchased.....	\$ 20,302.20	
Less Commission allowed.....	50.00	
	20,252.20	
Accrued Interest.....	311.89	
		20,564.09
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce May 31st, 1931.....	51,623.70	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	3,660.83	
		47,962.87
		<u>\$206,360.42</u>

SEMICENTENNIAL FUND

May 31st, 1930 to May 31st, 1931

Receipts

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1930.....		\$ 9,216.81
Interest in Investments.....	\$ 5,317.10	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	121.48	
		5,438.58

Investments

City of Windsor matured and paid	1,386.33	
Hamilton Masonic Hall Shares sold	100.00	
		1,486.33
		<u>\$ 16,141.72</u>

Disbursements

Saskatoon Debentures purchased.....	\$ 7,000.00	
Calgary Debentures purchased.....	972.50	
Ottawa Debentures purchased.....	353.25	
		\$ 8,325.75
Less Commission allowed.....	35.00	
		8,290.75
Accrued Interest.....	147.07	
		<u>\$ 8,437.82</u>

Benevolent Grants	6,535.30	
Less Grants cancelled 1930-31	260.00	
		6,275.30
Balance in Canadian Bank of Com- merce May 31st, 1931	2,993.60	
Less Outstanding Cheques	1,565.00	
		1,428.60
		<u>\$ 16,141.72</u>

MEMORIAL FUND

May 31st, 1930 to May 31st, 1931

Receipts

Balance in Canadian Bank of Com- merce May 31st, 1930	\$ 38,751.96	
Less Outstanding Cheques	930.00	
		\$ 37,821.96
Received I. S. War- dell Estate	\$ 2,148.25	
Refund on Purchase of Peterborough bonds	32.50	
		2,180.75
Received from Lodges	46,673.17	
Interest on Invest- ments	15,693.63	
Interest on Deposits	231.40	
		62,598.20
		64,778.95
		<u>\$102,600.91</u>

Disbursements

Benevolent Grants	\$ 13,930.00	
Less Cancelled not required	690.00	
		13,240.00

Investments

Debentures purchased	\$ 84,666.36	
Accrued Interest	757.19	
		85,423.55
		98,663.55
Balance in Canadian Bank of Com- merce, May 31st, 1931	3,987.36	
Less Outstanding Cheques	50.00	
		3,937.36
		<u>\$102,600.91</u>

ASSETS

Year Ending May 31st, 1930

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance in Can. Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1930.....	\$ 37,849.84	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	1,540.36	
	<hr/>	\$ 36,309.48
Investments per schedule face value	345,550.06	
	<hr/>	\$381,859.54

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Balance in Can. Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1930.....	\$ 9,736.81	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	520.00	
	<hr/>	9,216.81
Investments per schedule face value	98,666.33	
	<hr/>	\$107,883.14

MEMORIAL FUND

Balance in Can. Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1930.....	\$ 38,751.96	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	930.00	
	<hr/>	37,821.96
Investments per schedule face value	250,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$287,821.96
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		\$777,564.64

ASSETS

Year Ending May 31st, 1931

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance in Can Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1931.....	\$ 51,623.70	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	3,660.83	
	<hr/>	\$ 47,962.87
Investments per schedule face value	348,819.89	
	<hr/>	\$396,782.76

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Balance in Can. Ban. of Commerce, May 31st, 1931.....	\$ 2,993.60	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	1,565.00	
	<u>1,428.60</u>	
Investments per schedule face value	105,531.49	
	<u></u>	\$106,960.09

MEMORIAL FUND

Balance in Can. Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1931.....	\$ 3,987.36	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	50.00	
	<u>3,937.36</u>	
Investments per schedule face value	336,185.81	
	<u></u>	\$340,123.17
		<u>\$843,866.02</u>

CAPITAL INCREASE..... \$ 66,301.38

The books are in good order and are well kept. Guarantee bonds for the Grand Secretary and the Assistant Grand Secretary for \$5,000.00 each, also a Combination Messenger, Paymaster and Interior Robbery Policy for \$5,000.00, all issued by the Fidelity Insurance Company of Canada, have been inspected by the Committee.

The bonds are in the custody of the Grand Treasurer. Your Committee recommends that the Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master be authorized to renew the same on the expiry thereof.

ESTIMATES FOR 1931

Receipts

Registration of Initiations.....	\$ 12,000.00
Registration of Affiliations.....	600.00
Dues.....	108,000.00
Certificates.....	100.00
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	2,600.00
Dispensations.....	600.00
Commutation of Dues.....	5,500.00
Warrants.....	20.00
Musical Rituals.....	100.00
Miscellaneous.....	1,000.00
Sale of History of Grand Lodge.....	500.00
Interest on Investments and Deposits.....	20,000.00
	<u>\$151,020.00</u>

Expenditure

Grand Treasurer's Clerk.....	\$ 400.00
Grand Secretary.....	6,000.00
Assistant to Grand Secretary.....	3,600.00
Stenographer.....	1,000.00
Clerk.....	1,800.00
Retiring Allowance, Miss Place.....	1,000.00
Auditor.....	600.00
Incidentals.....	1,500.00
Proceedings, 1930.....	3,000.00
Constitution and Ceremonies.....	2,000.00
Printing and Stationery.....	800.00
Special Printing.....	2,000.00
Telephone.....	100.00
Insurance.....	200.00
Safety Box.....	90.00
Office Rent.....	1,000.00
Postage on Proceedings.....	200.00
Postage Chairmen of Committees.....	60.00
Fraternal Correspondence Committee.....	400.00
Committee on Education.....	1,000.00
Grand Master's Allowance.....	1,500.00
Grand Master's Stenographer.....	300.00
Deputy Grand Master's Allowance.....	500.00
Commissions.....	200.00
U.S. and Canada Relief Association.....	292.50
Regalia.....	1,000.00
Grand Lodge Expenses.....	7,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	1,000.00
Retiring Allowance Thos. Rowe.....	2,000.00
Supervisor of Benevolence.....	3,000.00
Supervisor's Stenographer.....	150.00
Inspector of Benevolence.....	1,200.00
Expenses Benevolence Inspector.....	850.00
Grand Master for Emergency Expenses.....	1,000.00
Benevolent Grants.....	101,767.00
Testimonial to Retiring Grand Master.....	500.00
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	\$149,309.00

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE MOORE,

Chairman.

The report of the Board on Audit and Finance was received and adopted on motion of the Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

The report of the Board on the Fraternal Dead was presented by R.W. Bro. J. F. Reid, as follows:

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Brethren:

Just as in years before, our pleasure in meeting our old friends at this our annual gathering is shadowed by the cloud of sorrow, when we miss the faces of many beloved companions, who have gone since last we met. Yet we believe that their presence and their influence are still with us and the world. They have not lived in vain; for Masonry is the force it is because of the unselfish lives of all these men who have left us for that other Grand Lodge, upon whose throne sits the Great Architect.

It is not our wish at this time to single out any one of our departed brethren for especial mention. Some have filled high places, not only in our ranks but also in the wider public life. Yet, it is not so much what material work we do that marks true greatness, but the spirit and the will to do the work. It is our sincere belief that the humble brother who has toiled honestly and earnestly for the good of men will at his death reap great reward, even though he has achieved no surpassing glory in the eyes of the multitude.

Nor have we who survive any reason to feel sad for those who die; rather should they pity us who are left behind with all the cares of life upon us and before us, while they have slipped the heavy burden from their shoulders and are free.

“Twilight and evening bell
And after that the dark;
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark.”

Therefore, without too much complaint or lamentation, let us say "Goodbye" to our loved ones who have passed away. Let us invoke upon and for them the old Hebrew benediction:

"Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commend them. The Lord bless them and keep them. The Lord make His face to shine upon them and be gracious unto them. The Lord lift up His countenance and give them peace, now and forevermore."

Your Committee puts before you in these succeeding pages a list of our brethren who have departed this life since last we met in Annual Communication.

Fraternally submitted,

J. FRED REID,

Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Reid, the report was received and adopted.

In Memoriam

Most Worshipful Brother

Hon. John S. Martin

Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.
of Canada in the Province of Ontario
and a member of

Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover,
DIED MAY 13th, 1931

Right Worshipful Brother

John H. Dunlop

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, Toronto
DIED SEPTEMBER 16th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Robert Ashton

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of

Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford
DIED SEPTEMBER 10th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Chas. S. Kilgour

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton
DIED DECEMBER 30th, 1930

In Memoriam

Right Worshipful Brother

John C. Scott

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa
DIED DECEMBER 25th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

George Sommerville

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston
DIED SEPTEMBER 29th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Thomas Paul

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Burns Lodge, No. 153, Wyoming
DIED OCTOBER 19th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Hon. R. H. Grant

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond
and
Acacia Lodge No. 561, Westboro
DIED NOVEMBER 26th, 1930

In Memoriam

Right Worshipful Brother

Peter Perry

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Mercer Lodge No. 347, Fergus
DIED FEBRUARY 22nd, 1931

Right Worshipful Brother

Henry Cox

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew
DIED FEBRUARY 11th, 1931

Right Worshipful Brother

J. W. Hickson

Grand Registrar
and a member of
St. George Lodge No. 367, Toronto
DIED DECEMBER 9th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Robt. W. Brennen

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Riverdale Lodge No. 494, Toronto
DIED DECEMBER 5th, 1930

In Memoriam

Right Worshipful Brother

A. R. Mills

Past District Deputy Grand Master

and a member of

Connaught Lodge No. 511, Fort William

DIED FEBRUARY 4th, 1931

Right Worshipful Brother

G. E. Josephs

Past District Deputy Grand Master

and a member of

Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Pembroke

DIED MAY 21st, 1931

Right Worshipful Brother

H. H. Ketcheson

Past District Deputy Grand Master

and a member of

Moirs Lodge No. 11, Belleville

DIED NOVEMBER 26th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Franklin B. Allen

Past District Deputy Grand Master

and a member of

Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur

and

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur

DIED AUGUST 23rd, 1930

In Memoriam

Right Worshipful Brother

J. A. C. Anderson

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Howard Lodge No. 391, Ridgetown
DIED DECEMBER 4th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Stephen J. Cameron

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Cedar Lodge No. 396, Warton
DIED SEPTEMBER 29th, 1930

Right Worshipful Brother

Wm. R. Walters

Past District Deputy Grand Master
and a member of
Acacia Lodge No. 430, Toronto
John Ross Robertson Lodge No. 545, Toronto
and
Mimosa Lodge No. 576, Toronto
DIED OCTOBER 13th, 1930

Very Worshipful Brother

Robert Thompson

Grand Steward
and a member of
Alpha Lodge No. 384, Toronto
DIED SEPTEMBER 19th, 1930

In Memoriam

Very Worshipful Brother
Chas. A. McHaffie
Grand Standard Bearer
and a member of
Cornwall Lodge No. 125, Cornwall
DIED SEPTEMBER 9th, 1930

Very Worshipful Brother
John S. Hill
Grand Steward
and a member of
Victoria Lodge No. 474, Toronto
DIED MARCH 5th, 1931

Very Worshipful Brother
R. C. Griffith
Grand Standard Bearer
Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto
DIED JUNE 10th, 1931

In Memoriam

Very Worshipful Brother
Walter H. W. Morgan
Grand Pursuivant
and a member of
Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto
DIED JANUARY 13th, 1931

Very Worshipful Brother
Frank Saunders
Grand Sword Bearer
and a member of
St. George's Lodge No. 367, Toronto
DIED JANUARY 7th, 1931

Very Worshipful Brother
Jos. J. Madden
Grand Steward
and a member of
York Lodge No. 156, Toronto
DIED OCTOBER 28th, 1930

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FRATERNAL RELATIONS

The report of the Board on Fraternal Relations was presented by M.W. Bro. W. H. Ponton, as follows:
M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

Your Committee, composed of the M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Bros. Rowland and Ponton, R.W. Bros. Herrington, Moore, Ebbitt, Herity and Dunlop after due investigation, recommend to Grand Lodge the fraternal official recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, with headquarters at Prague, and that Grand Representatives be interchanged in accordance with our forms and usage between our jurisdictions.

Your Committee also urgently emphasize the duty of all our Grand Representatives to establish and maintain personal contact through correspondence with the several Grand Jurisdictions which they are privileged to represent. Thus can Canada girdle the globe with good will and mutual understanding.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. PONTON,

Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. Ponton, the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER

The report of the Board upon the Grand Master's Address was presented by M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, as follows:

Brethren:—

Our Grand Master has well emphasized in his introduction both the past and the future and the purposes of our gathering when the old add their experience and counsel to the enthusiasm and the urge of the young. We realize ourselves and we discover one another in association. Not the least of our privileges here is the opportunity of forming, renewing, strengthening and perpetuating congenial friendships, God's most generous gift to men and Masons. We are called to both fellowship and service.

The Grand Master's admonitory words as to the world's present disturbing and perplexing conditions are timely—let us take heed—but also take courage. To the true Mason problems (new and old) exist only to be solved—if there be the will to serve—the will to be well—the will to cure the ills of the body politic, the will to realize our individual responsibility for corporate and collective sins and short-comings. Let us thank God for the stabilizing power of the Craft—through which as factors in well being we will be enabled to preserve the unity and continuity of the community, and contribute something permanent to the “comfort of the Commonwealth”—all for each and each for all. May we together—staunch and true—realize that,

“The clouds ye so much dread,
Are big with mercy and shall break,
With blessings on your head.”

Adversity is an admirable teacher. Burden bearers become blessing sharers. Let us then exemplify that true optimism and splendid endeavour of which the Grand Master speaks. Let us remember the Rock from which we are hewn.

The Grand Master reminds us of the potential promise of Masonry and of our mutual obligation. We can only fulfil that obligation by translating that potentiality into power—that promise into fulfilment—by putting our creeds into our deeds: theories into facts—and

making noble dreams come true—as men in a world of men—“Remember my Commandments to do them”, said the great Master. Faith and works are both essentials.

The importance of truth and honour is well stressed by the Grand Master. Truth is the great common denominator—as an example, his address throughout rings true. Private honour is the foundation of public trust. In these days of stress and strain, of rapid revolutions in thought and action, we need confidence—confidence in ourselves, our brethren, and in the Great Architect who set his “bow in the clouds as a covenant between me and thee”.

Our Grand Master is rightly grateful for the measure of numerical and material prosperity as recorded in the statistical chronicles of the Craft in this Jurisdiction by the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, and the graceful tribute paid by the Grand Master to these faithful, zealous and efficient officers and their colleagues will be heartily endorsed by this Grand Lodge.

The generous contributions to Benevolent and other funds, in this year of stringency and enforced economy, indicates too that the spirit of the Craft is still a vital force, that the Artesian Wells of philanthropy are still being tapped and that the fountains of mercy are still flowing freely, and that the Brethren still realize the happiness of duty alone. All this makes the administrative ability with which Grand Lodge affairs are managed, a labour of love and of trust. Your Committee note with satisfaction in this connection the wise words of warning to the constituent lodges uttered by the Grand Master in urging an annual balanced budget—the separation of fees from dues—of capital from income—the establishment of a reservoir of security for the lean years that come to all, and the responsibility, personal and official, of Auditors, Masters and D.D.G.M.'s in this regard.

No less than 32 Grand Jurisdictions show losses during the past year. Let us not boast of our increase but accept it as a grave responsibility and offer grateful

recognition for this added opportunity of instructing our newly made brethren in the mission and ministry, the mastery and mystery of the wise, gentle and manly Craft. May we hope with the Grand Master that the character and calibre of candidates are being maintained, that Investigating Committees are being held to a realization of their supreme responsibility, that positive virtues of head and heart are being insisted upon and not merely these negative qualities from which "living stones" cannot be made. At this trying time especially it behooves us to see that our portals are vigilantly guarded—so that only those worthy of being "chosen of the true" may be made "free of the Craft" the world over. Faithful average attendance at Lodge is a far higher criterion of merit than mere numbers on the roll. We need more Masonry in men rather than more men in Masonry.

The reciprocity of obligation as essential to real progress, is well impressed by the Grand Master who stresses Leadership, and leadership must be backed up by followership. Masonry is no one man's job—"One men is no man"—We are all members of one another. Each has his niche, his task. It is not enough to be receptive, we must be responsive. Loyal allegiance is good—splendid endeavour is better. We have all the delicate machinery—the adequate working tools (which are not toys—), but the Craft will be like a clock without hands unless every member illustrates through time to eternity the principles of Masonry in life and action.

The Grand Master's reference to the Golden Rule is most apposite as it is an essential for the Healing of the Nations"—as well as for the amelioration of conditions—economic and spiritual—within our own bounds. Disturbing conditions, unless cured, are apt to become chronic. The Golden Rule runs everywhere:—

"Make ye sure to each his own,
That he reap where he hath sown."

We congratulate the Grand Master upon the fruitful success which attended his visits throughout the Jurisdiction—giving and receiving light and delight. We accompany him in spirit as he knit up the tie that binds

in our Sister Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba—unifying and vivifying. We read with unalloyed pleasure of the cordial reception accorded to him and to the Grand Secretary, in Massachusetts, New York and Connecticut. Masonry as such knows no latitude or longitude, and the contact of good will with good will makes for reciprocal good, and a better understanding. May we always pitch our tents together in the plains of peace!—and plenty—along our far flung Brother-line which girdles the globe. Some of the Grand Master's addresses delivered last year in other Jurisdictions will be found in this year's Review of Fraternal Correspondence. They will repay perusal—as indeed will the epitome of the Proceedings of all our Sister Grand Lodges. Keep the lines of communication always open and clear.

The Grand Master's touching but restrained reference to those who, having enriched this our house terrestrial, have taken on immortality, will strike a responsive chord, and his special tributes to the late John S. Martin and Sir Alfred Robbins are well merited. These brethren touched nothing that they did not adorn, they served that we might share. They answer to our Roll Call, "All's Well! All's well!"

"The kind old voices and old faces,
Our memory can quick retrace;
Around the board they take their places
And share the word—the word of grace."

We note the appointments of Grand Representatives at and near this and other Grand Lodges—and trust that all who are thus honoured will live up to their opportunities of establishing and keeping annual or more frequent contact and living touch—between this and other Jurisdictions. This distinguished honour is no empty form and should only be conferred upon those whose meritorious service to the Craft in the past justifies the belief that they will do still better work with this wider horizon.

Your committee note with satisfaction the goodly number of consecrations and dedications throughout the year. May each lodge and temple be a radiant centre of

friendship—a power house on the line of loyal, living, earnest unselfish men—prudent, discreet, and temperate. Thus true masonry pursues its quiet questful way of purposeful progress, shunning and abhorring vulgar publicity, but not seeking monastic seclusion.

“We need the comrade heart,
That understands,
And the warmth, the pulsing warmth,
Of human hands.”

As to Dispensations it is gratifying again to note the firm stand taken by the Grand Master in withholding Dispensations where they would, in effect, violate the Constitution and annul the By-laws. The exercise of this almost prerogative right should neither be asked nor granted except in circumstances amounting almost to necessity and where the good of the whole Craft is involved; and not for either local or personal convenience only.

Your Committee note in the Reviews of Proceedings that the course recommended by the Grand Master as to Trials by Commission rather than by jury of the Lodge Members, is being generally approved and adopted. But, except in cases of exceptional difficulty and where the harmony of the lodge may be disturbed by a serious division among the members, there is much to be said in favour of not releasing the constituent lodges from their initial responsibility in this regard.

Your Committee regret to note the reduction of initiation fees by some lodges. Do not be stampeded, brethren, by the hard times cry—Do not cheapen Masonry or lower the estimate of your own lodge—“Learn to labour and to wait”—In this connection as in all others we should be men of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows, men of vision, but not visionaries, men of fortitude and faith.

We agree with the Grand Master that a brief and perfunctory inspection of lodge assets and liabilities, receipts and expenditures, and business methods of administration, is not all satisfying, and we venture with

all respect to suggest that some of the D.D.G.M.'s themselves (selected as some of them are by geographical rotation), are not wholly competent to advise and report upon matters of this kind, even though they have the advantage of a knowledge of local circumstances which enures in all other matters to the benefit of the Craft. With all respect we doubt the efficacy of a special committee in the premises, and feel that this important matter might well be referred to one of our Standing Committees for investigation and for a constructive report to be presented at the next meeting of Grand Lodge. The G.M. is to be commended for drawing our attention with such clarity of detail to this important matter.

With regard to suspensions and demits and consequent loss and wastage, (for which secretaries are not wholly responsible), a perusal of the treatment of this common complaint—this worrying anxiety—adopted by other Grand Lodges, as reproduced in the Correspondence Review, will show that they are in accord with the thoughtful recommendations and pregnant suggestions made by our Grand Master. Masonry should be positive not negative, cohesive not disintegrating, and the personal equation counts in retaining within the fold men we can ill afford to lose.

Your Committee feels that the Grand Master has performed a useful purpose in calling attention to the duties functions and manifold activities of the Board of General Purposes, and to the striking statistical increase so graphically indicated by him, based upon the comparison with fifteen years ago. Your Committee feel that the Board is, as now constituted, fairly representative in character, and sufficiently strong in numbers but the Grand Master's suggestions in themselves, operating on thoughtful minds, will doubtless work a cure of any defects that may be thought to exist.

Your committee feel that those members of the Board who have completed, or may hereafter complete, six consecutive years of service as chairmen of standing committees should become permanent life members of the Board, and recommend that as soon as the necessary

amendments to the constitution can be made in relation thereto, this shall be carried into effect, Grand Lodge hereby approving of the principle of the change proposed.

The Grand Master revives pleasant memories in his recapitulation of the outstanding features of the memorable celebration last year of our seventy-fifth anniversary; and we are not unmindful of the prestige and pleasure added to the occasion by the presence of our distinguished guests, not merely from Great Britain and Ireland but also from other Grand Jurisdictions—our friends and neighbours—all eminent men of light and leading—gatherers and distributors of gladness. This was of course a special occasion and therefore we approve of the conferring of the Honorary rank recommended by the Grand Master and bear testimony to the merits of the present recipients of the honor accorded.

The conclusion of the Grand Master's address is in every way worthy. To very few is granted the gift of cumulative expression so well exemplified in his masterly assembly of the attributes and characteristics, the grip and charm of this beneficent and creative Craft, together blending in that indefinable, intangible essence known as the soul of Masonry. To only one phrase might exception possibly be taken from one point of view though perhaps in another sense than that intended. To us a "religion without creed" would seem an anomaly. Our Craft has a creed. In any event, we are all agreed that the religion of brotherhood must begin with and be founded on the brotherhood of religion. May we all be God's Gentlemen. "He is the freeman—and the Freemason "whom the Truth makes free".

Brethren, let us all unite in the hope and trust that the main springs of action which have characterized our Grand Master during his two years of office, may never rust, that his zeal may never abate, that his enriched experience may always be generously shared as in the past, and that all benedictions and beatitudes may be assured and happy possessions of himself and of those near and dear to him and especially the gentle lady who presides over his household; but we will also pray that

he may not be "too bright and good for human nature's daily food," when he joins the benignant brotherhood of bygone (but still virile) Rulers of the Craft.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. PONTON,
Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

The report of the Committee on Masonic Education through the Board of General Purposes was read by R.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Special Committee on Masonic Education, composed of R.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland, R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan and R.W. Bro. John D. Spence, begs leave to report as follows:

As intimated in the Report presented last year, your Committee made a survey of schemes of Masonic Education in operation throughout the English-speaking world. Of these, two seemed particularly to present features which might be incorporated in a plan suited to existing conditions in our Grand Jurisdiction—that employed by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and that in use by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. A careful study of both of these plans resulted in the formulation of certain essential features which seem to your Committee to be fundamental to any scheme to be adopted by this Grand Lodge. These are as follows:

1. That Masonic Education must be under the immediate direction and control of Grand Lodge through a standing committee appointed for that purpose.

2. That this committee have charge of the preparation of a curriculum, the selection and training of instructors, the compilation of a list of suitable books for reading, and all arrangements necessary for the conduct of the classes.

3. That the material presented be of the most elementary sort.

4. That the instructors be required in all cases to teach exactly what is prescribed in the curriculum so that, throughout the jurisdiction, the lessons taught shall be uniform in content.

5. That classes be formed within districts, or groups of lodges in some cases, under the general supervision of the District Deputy Grand Master and the Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education, or some other brother appointed by them with the approval of the Grand Master.

6. That lodges be encouraged to promote Masonic Education within themselves whenever the officers so desire, but that such officers be urged also to consult the committee and to use the material recommended by Grand Lodge.

7. That no district be urged to establish these facilities for Masonic Education unless there is a general demand on the part of the lodges therein for such an arrangement. It seems to your Committee most desirable that Masonic Education should be provided only where it is definitely asked for by those in authority and that, if the enterprise is to become permanent, it should be allowed to grow slowly from small beginnings.

8. That arrangements should be made such that the younger brethren, those on whom degrees have only recently been conferred, form the nucleus of all classes, but that the older brethren be urged to attend if they care to do so.

9. That the instruction be so arranged that it will not only supply information, but will also inspire the brethren to read sound Masonic literature.

10. That "Lodges for Masonic Education" be held not oftener than bi-monthly (that is, five times in each year) in districts where the plan is adopted.

11. That Past Masters' Associations throughout the Jurisdiction be asked to make the promotion of this scheme of Masonic Education one of their most important duties.

On the suggestion of the Deputy Grand Master, with the cordial co-operation of the Past Masters' Association of Toronto, and with the efficient assistance of R.W. Bro. C. B. Murray, Manager of the Masonic Temple on Yonge Street, your Committee arranged an experimental demonstration of the scheme above outlined on April 29th of this year. To this gathering came approximately eight hundred brethren of four types, entered apprentices, fellowcrafts, young master masons and others of longer masonic experience. University Lodge, Tuscan Lodge and Wellington Lodge held emergent meetings to facilitate the arrangements. Three classes were formed. R.W. Bro. J. G. McDonald of Aurora taught the class of entered apprentices. R.W. Bro. H. J. Alexander of Weston taught the fellowcrafts, and R.W. Bro. W. E. Hopkings took charge of the master masons' class. In each room there were many spectators. The three lessons were taught concurrently for thirty-five minutes; questions were asked and answered. The lessons having been finished, all re-assembled in one room for a general lecture intended to be of interest to all masons.

The only adverse criticism was voiced by some of the past masters, who said that they wished to hear all three of the lessons but could not do so when all were taught at the same time. In reply, it was pointed out that, if this scheme were to be made permanent, every master mason could hear every lesson by attending three successive meetings; also that, to teach three lessons in suc-

cession would keep the fellowcrafts waiting outside for thirty-five minutes and the entered apprentices for seventy minutes.

On May 19th a demonstration of a different kind was arranged by the brethren of Frontenac District under the direction of the District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. John A. McRae. An introductory lecture on the allegory was delivered by W. Bro. P. G. C. Campbell, Professor of French, Queen's University. This was followed by a lecture on the symbolism of the first degree by Bro. E. P. Smith, Inspector of Schools. The attendance was magnificent; the interest and attention were wonderful; everyone present greatly enjoyed the lectures.

The criticism of this arrangement was that the next meeting of such a series would deal only with the second degree and, therefore, no entered apprentices could attend. At the third meeting of the series only the third degree would be dealt with and neither entered apprentices nor fellowcrafts would be present. Thus for many enthusiastic young masons no educational meal would be provided at one or two meetings in every three.

On June 19th a demonstration was arranged in Hamilton. This was an exact repetition of the experiment tried in Toronto and the same three instructors were in charge. Strict Observance Lodge, St. John's Lodge and Barton Lodge held emergent meetings. The attendance was excellent; many constructive suggestions were made; there was a great deal of informal discussion after the lodges were closed.

These three experiments have convinced the members of your Committee that there is a great and growing demand for masonic education throughout this Grand Jurisdiction and that means must at once be taken to supply educational facilities. Your Committee is convinced that, if this is done in accordance with the recommendations contained in this Report, the attendance at all lodge meetings will be increased, interest everywhere will be quickened and real masonic light will be diffused

throughout the craft in this Province. The thanks of your Committee are due and are hereby most cordially and sincerely tendered M.W. Bro. Dudley Ferrell of the grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and honorary Past Grand Master of our own Grand Lodge, who gave freely and cheerfully of his time and energy in assisting with the investigation made; and to M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan who answered questions and provided literature most generously and graciously whenever asked.

Finally, your Committee would recommend that the Committee on Masonic Education be authorized to prepare the material to be used by instructors and any other material required; and that, before it is printed, all such matter must be approved by the Grand Master and Past Grand Masters.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. J. DUNLOP.
Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master seconded by R.W. Bro. Dunlop, the report was received and adopted.

DISPOSITION OF MOTIONS

1. It was moved by M.W. Bro. Rowland, seconded by the Deputy Grand Master, and resolved:

That Section 186 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following words: "Special provisions may be made on the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes in reference to the jurisdiction in suburban areas adjoining the Cities of Toronto, Hamilton, or Ottawa."

2. It was moved by R.W. Bro. F. A. Copus, seconded by R.W. Bro. E. W. Barber and resolved: That the following amendments be made in the Rules regarding Benevolence:

1. In Rule 2 by changing the words "Board of General Purposes" to the words "Grand Master".

2. In Rule 4a by omitting all of the last sentence.

3. In Rule 5 by omitting the words "the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and" in line 5.

4. In Rule 6 by inserting after the word "relief" in line 7 the following words, " "when the local board of relief administers relief other than to transients."

5. In Rule 6 by omitting all words in lines 15 and 16 and substituting therefor the following, "when-ever in any city or town there is a local board of relief, acknowledged as such by Grand Lodge, which administers relief other than to transients."

6. In Rule 12 by deleting all this rule and substituting therefor the following: "The income from the Semi-Centennial and Memorial Funds invested and on deposit, shall be available to augment the fund from which the Committee on Benevolence makes grants to the beneficiaries of Grand Lodge."

7. In Rule 13 by omitting the words "the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and".

3. It was moved by M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. C. Bonnycastle:

1. That the date of holding the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge in each year shall be changed from the month of July to another month.

2. That in the event of the foregoing motion being carried by the requisite majority, the month of meeting shall be designated immediately thereafter by resolution of Grand Lodge.

3. That all sections of the Constitution which are dependent upon such date shall be forthwith amended to conform thereto.

The Motion was lost.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS INVESTED

The following brethren having been nominated as District Deputy Grand Masters by their respective districts, the Grand Master was pleased to confirm their election and they were then duly obligated and invested by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone.

THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Algoma.....	George Blanchard	Port Arthur
Brant.....	Jas. F. G. Polley.....	Harley
Bruce.....	John H. Fawcett.....	Harriston
Chatham.....	Daniel F. Johnson.....	Wallaceburg
Eastern.....	Herman Hamilton.....	Iroquois
Frontenac.....	John A. Pringle.....	Arden
Georgian.....	James J. McKnight.....	Tottenham
Grey.....	Jack M. Aiken.....	Orangeville
Hamilton "A".....	Alfred Oram.....	Hamilton
Hamilton "B".....	James A. Henderson.....	Hamilton
London.....	James A. Morris.....	Dorchester
Muskoka.....	W. Roy Dixon.....	Sprucedale
Niagara "A".....	James N. Allan.....	Dunnville
Niagara "B".....	Fred Trelford.....	Niagara Falls
Nipissing.....	Benj. F. Nott.....	North Bay
North Huron.....	George T. Aitchison.....	Lucknow
Ontario.....	Edwin E. Farrow.....	Oshawa
Ottawa.....	J. Howard Carkner.....	Ottawa
Peterborough.....	Robt. Jas. McCamus.....	Keene
Prince Edward.....	John Maidens.....	Belleville
Sarnia.....	Herbert John Hall.....	Watford
South Huron.....	L. Russell Coles.....	Hensall
St. Lawrence.....	Percy R. Barnard.....	Spencerville
St. Thomas.....	Meldon Spencer Claus.....	Dutton
Temiskaming.....	William W. White.....	Timmins
Toronto "A".....	William Tansley.....	Toronto
Toronto "B".....	Frank McK. Chapman.....	Pickering
Toronto "C".....	Frederick C. Irwin.....	Leaside
Toronto "D".....	N. F. Davin Kelley.....	Toronto
Victoria.....	Wilmur L. Macarthur.....	Minden
Wellington.....	Alexander W. Muir.....	Fergus
Western.....	Earle C. Popham.....	Kenora
Wilson.....	Gordon Young.....	Norwich
Windsor.....	John Thurlow.....	Windsor

PREMIER OF ONTARIO

By direction of the M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland retired with the Grand Director of Ceremonies and introduced R.W. Bro. Hon. Geo. S. Henry, Prime Minister of the Province of Ontario, who was graciously received by the Grand Master and invited to a seat on the dais. R.W. Bro. Henry expressed his delight at being present and spoke briefly of his belief in the beneficent effect of the Craft. He was enthusiastically acclaimed by the brethren.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by R.W. Bro. J. B. Way, as follows:

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, and Members of Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials, begs to report:

There are on the Register of Grand Lodge 568 Warranted Lodges, of which number 2 have been granted their Warrants at this Communication.

Lodges represented at this communication:

By Regular Officers.....	351
By Proxies.....	79
By Pastmasters.....	53
Total Number Represented.....	483
Total Number of Delegates Registered.....	1624
Having a total vote of.....	2466

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. B. WAY,
Chairman.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. B. Way, the report was received and adopted.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The report of the Committee of Scrutineers was presented by W. Bro. J. W. Hamilton, and the following brethren were declared by the Grand Master duly elected:

Grand MasterM.W. Bro. Walter S. Herrington, Napanee
Deputy Grand Master.....R.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Stratford
Grand Senior Warden.....R.W. Bro. Victor Williamson, Windsor
Grand Junior Warden.....R.W. Bro. Hugh L. Freeston, Waterloo
Grand Chaplain.....R.W. Bro. Rev. C. R. Spencer, Bowmanville
Grand Treasurer.....M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto
Grand Secretary.....R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Hamilton
Grand Registrar.....R.W. Bro. Hugh Johnson, Hamilton

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

R.W. Bro. Alex. Cowan, Barrie
R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, Hamilton
R.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Toronto
R.W. Bro. A. J. Alexander, Toronto
R.W. Bro. G. H. Ryerson, Brantford

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The City of Kingston.

M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone installed and invested the officers elect in due and ancient form and they were duly acclaimed.

APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The M.W. Grand Master appointed the following members of the Board for a term of two years:

R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, Toronto;

R.W. Bro. J. Birnie Smith, London;

R.W. Bro. T. C. Wardley, Elora;

V.W. Bro. A. P. Freed, Port Arthur

R.W. Bro. Jos. Fowler, Sudbury;

and for the term of one year

R.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Strathroy.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

The M.W. Grand Master was pleased to make the following appointments:

Grand Senior Deacon—P. G. C. Campbell, Kingston

Grand Junior Deacon—E. G. Hodgson, Toronto

Grand Superintendent of Works—G. McGill, Ottawa.

Grand Director of Ceremonies—John R. Weekes, Hamilton.

Assistant Grand Chaplain—Rev. Finlay Matheson, Kitchener.

Assistant Grand Chaplain—Rev. R. P. D. Hurford, Shelburne.

Assistant Grand Chaplain—Very Rev. Dean Broughall, Hamilton.

Assistant Grand Secretary—W. M. Gemmel, Port Credit.

Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. W. Ash, Toronto.

Grand Sword Bearer—Jehiel Smith, Chatham.

Grand Organist—Ruthven McDonald, Toronto.

Assistant Grand Organist—W. M. Cooper, Acton.

Grand Pursuivant—E. S. Calder, Toronto.

Grand Stewards

V.W. Bro.	F. C. Brown	Ridgeway
"	J. W. Brown	Comber
"	J. L. Callan	Smiths Falls
"	Clarence H. Carpenter	Kenora
"	D. M. Christie	Toronto
"	E. C. Coath	Toronto
"	A. E. Cowan	Ottawa
"	A. B. Crawford	London
"	F. E. Dafoe	Aultsville
"	J. Dorricott	Toronto
"	A. Galloway	Woodville
"	G. A. Grassie	Hamilton
"	W. J. Hambly	Copper Cliff
"	R. Hawkins	Smith Falls
"	H. B. Hawley	Kirkland Lake
"	W. J. Henry	Peterborough
"	Jos. Howlett	Toronto
"	G. W. Irvine	Niagara on the Lake
"	H. A. Jull	Brantford
"	F. LeGassick	Fort William
"	E. E. King	Streetsville
"	Roy S. King	Midland
"	David Liddell	Windsor
"	H. W. Linton	Hamilton
"	J. B. Little	Trenton
"	Jos. McKittrick	Shelburne
"	T. A. Mitchell	Sundridge
"	G. L. Money	Stratford
"	O. J. Mooney	Kincardine
"	A. Petherick	West Lorne
"	S. G. Richardson	Camlachie
"	T. A. Routledge	Ridgetown
"	L. F. Rutledge	Kingston
"	R. I. Shannon	Tara
"	E. M. Shaw	Sault Ste. Marie
"	G. A. Smith	Innerkip
"	T. H. Snyder	Campbellville
"	A. Spittal	Binbrook
"	Thos. Swain	Toronto
"	W. W. Taman	Exeter
"	J. F. Wolfram	Colborne

Grand Standard Bearers

A. E. Phipps	Grimsby	E. Tailby	Kitchener
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TESTIMONIAL TO RETIRING GRAND MASTER

On motion of M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland and E. T. Malone it was resolved: That a committee be appointed to secure a fitting testimonial to the retiring Grand Master.

VOTE OF THANKS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton and Resolved: That the cordial thanks of Grand Lodge be extended to the Windsor Craft Committees, to the Windsor Board of Education, to the Principal and Staff of the Patterson Collegiate Institute and to all others who assisted them, for the splendidly organized and effectively completed arrangements made for the comfort, consideration and entertainment of the members of Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGED CLOSED

The Grand Chaplain entreated the blessings of the Great Architect upon the members of Grand Lodge and all the Craft during the coming year and Grand Lodge was then declared closed in Ample Form at half-past-two o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, July 16th, 1931, to meet again in the City of Kingston on Wednesday, July 20th, 1932.



Grand Secretary



RETURNS OF LODGES AS

See Pages 386—389 for List of

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	Robert G. Dawson	Thomas W. Bishop
3	aAnct. St. John's	Kingston	W. H. Herrington	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	Jas. R. McLaren	Thos. H. Guest
6	aBarton	Hamilton	F. T. Baine	W. H. F. Whately
7	Union	Crimsby	V. R. Farrell	M. Frampton
9	aUnion	Napanee	F. W. Barrett	J. G. Fennell
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	R. B. Kent	Jas. H. Shaw
11	aMoira	Belleville	R. P. Orne	Geo. Dullmage Sr
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	J. R. Coutts	F. V. Buffam
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	Dr. J. M. Shultis	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	N. S. Robertson	Wm. Lawrence
17	St. John's	Cobourg	Wm. J. Youden	G. W. Rothwill
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	Milton Storms	E. C. Garbutt
20	aSt. John's	London	A. G. C. Hertel	Rich. Booth
21a	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	Rev. W. McMorine	D. A. Fraser
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	E. Manifold	P. H. Walker
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	Fred D. Webster	J. E. Smith
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	Clare Purdy	D. G. Jones
25	aIonic	Toronto	C. B. Parker	J. C. Lockhart
26	aOntario	Port Hope	C. J. Bate	F. H. Batty
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	F. L. Henderson	H. W. Linton
28	aMount Zion	Kemptville	R. J. Patterson	T. A. Robinson
29	aUnited	Brighton	Harold Clarke, M.D.	B. C. H. Becker
30	aComposite	Whitby	F. T. Rowe	J. W. Bateman
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	R. E. Logan	Thos. Anisson
32	aAmity	Dunnville	Thos. Camelford	S. W. Lymburner
33	aMaitland	Goderich	H. R. Hall	Geo. MacVicar
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	Stephen H. Smith	L. J. Pettypiece
35	St. John's	Cayuga	H. V. Meadows	H. J. Hosel
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	A. E. Angood	H. T. Bower
38	aTrent	Trenton	Orloff G. Aleya	W. J. Potts
39	aMount Zion	Brooklin	W. E. Trimble	Thos. R. Price
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	J. A. Spittle	C. F. Marshall
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	L. C. Hillis	E. L. Frost
42	aSt. George's	London	J. W. Reynolds	Thos. Dickson
43	King Solomon's	Woodstock	Rev. John Morris	A. W. Massie
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	F. R. Palmer	J. W. Judd
45	Brant	Brantford	F. J. Sheppard	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	W. A. Stewart	W. J. McCall
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	J. N. Nickell	W. T. Turner
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Wm. H. McBain	A. S. Cochran
50	aConsecon	Consecon	Geo. Elmy	H. J. Chase
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	John S. Ringrose	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	E. A. Carson	I. B. Musselman
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	James Sword	M. G. Corbett
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	J. H. Danner	H. W. Unsworth
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	John T. Tidey	Jas. D. Rose
58	aDoric	Ottawa	E. H. Hall	J. A. Ross
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	H. E. Snider	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	Fred Brown	Thos. J. Hicks
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	L. J. McDiarmid	H. E. Menzies
64	aKilwinning	London	G. H. Tennent	W. Lancaster
65	aRehoboam	Toronto	Wm. H. Smith	Geo. H. Mitchell
66	aDurham	Newcastle	J. L. Cryderman	J. W. Bradley
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	C. H. Allan	Fred Smith
69	Stirling	Stirling	W. H. Donnon	C. F. Linn
72	Alma	Galt	Percy Hill	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Mary's	W. R. Brooks	N. L. Bradon
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	C. A. Bradley	H. H. Throop

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
2	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	1	4	4	1	2		4		174	174
3	1st Thursday.....	2	2	2	1		3	6	8	400	386
5	3rd Monday.....	9	10	11	2		3	6	5	408	404
6	2nd Wednesday.....	8	10	8	2		5	8	4	530	523
7	Thurs. on or bef. F.M. ..	4	5	6	3	1	3		1	229	233
9	2nd Friday.....	2	7	6	2		5	2		250	247
10	2nd Tuesday.....	12	15	12	1	1	2	3		241	247
11	1st Wednesday.....	11	12	11	2		2	16	5	474	464
14	1st Monday.....	6	8	7	1	1	1	4		191	194
15	2nd Tuesday.....	17	19	19	4		3	4	9	357	362
16	2nd Tuesday.....	15	18	17	6		6	8	6	695	696
17	2nd Tuesday.....	11	14	14	2	1	10	3		279	277
18	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.....	8	5	4	4		1		1	264	273
20	2nd Tuesday.....	16	16	14	3			4		514	529
21	aTues. on or bef. F.M. ..	1	2	2			1	2	4	101	95
22	2nd Thursday.....	10	10	10	3	2	1	8	24	469	451
23	3rd Wednesday.....	3	3	3	1		2	3	6	136	132
24	1st Friday.....	10	12	8	2	1	1	6	2	290	294
25	1st Wednesday.....	5	8	7	2		1	8		353	351
26	3rd Friday.....	4	6	4	3	1	4	2	7	215	210
27	3rd Friday.....	13	11	9	1	3	1	10	3	534	537
28	Friday bef. F.M.....	2	2	3	1	1				111	115
29	1st Tuesday.....	1					1	5		194	184
30	Last Monday.....	6	3	4	1			5	2	162	162
31	2nd Wednesday.....	8	7	8	3	1	2	3	4	239	243
32	2nd Wednesday.....	7	8	9			4	2	16	239	224
33	2nd Tuesday.....	2	3	2	2		1	4		255	254
34	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	4	5	5	1	2		2		179	184
35	Thur. on or after F.M.	7	9	9	1		2	2	1	136	139
37	1st Friday.....	8	9	8			4	2		216	218
38	2nd Tuesday.....	11	11	13	2	1	5	3	3	288	291
39	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	2	2	2	5	1		1	5	85	87
40	3rd Thursday.....	15	17	18	1	1	2	8	7	623	623
41	Thurs. on or bef. F.M. ..	5	4	6	1			3		280	283
42	1st Thursday.....	13	15	14		2	2	4	8	358	357
43	1st Tuesday.....	12	12	10	5		1	5	18	439	432
44	1st Thursday.....	2	3	3			1	5	5	501	492
45	2nd Tuesday.....	11	19	18	2	2	3	7	18	496	483
46	1st Monday.....	13	11	16			3	4	6	365	365
47	1st Thursday.....	12	14	13		5	4	12	61	871	811
48	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	8	12	10				2	7	171	165
50	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	1	2	2		2	1	2	2	101	99
52	1st Tuesday.....	16	11	8	1	1	5	7	9	471	468
54	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	1	2	1	1		2	1		91	90
55	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	2	2	2	2	1	2	1		113	115
56	1st Tuesday.....	9	9	10	1		2	8	3	381	378
57	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	2	5	6					3	172	171
58	3rd Thursday.....	7	6	6	1	1	2	4		429	432
61	2nd Friday.....	22	27	30	8	2	5	11	12	940	944
62	3rd Thursday.....	3	6	7				1		144	146
63	2nd Wednesday.....	9	10	11	3			6	5	238	239
64	3rd Friday.....	13	14	11	1	2	4	11	5	467	463
65	1st Tuesday.....	21	22	25	2	2	3	15	9	690	688
66	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	3	1	1	2	3	1		4	101	104
68	3rd Friday.....	4	4	4	1	1	1	2	5	168	169
69	3rd Thursday.....	2	2	2	1	1		3	3	143	142
72	Last Tuesday.....	9	10	9	1			1	2	239	246
73	1st Monday.....	4	3	4	2	1	3	1		139	142
74	Mon. nearest F.M.....	1	1	1			1	1		94	93

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	O. H. King.....	B. E. Garrett.....
76	aOxford.....	Woodstock.....	Dr. H. Black.....	E. E. Dougall.....
77	aFaithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	C. H. Heels.....	C. L. Davidson.....
78	aKing Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	W. H. Gibson.....	H. McQueen.....
79	aSimcoe.....	Bradford.....	S. M. Lee.....	O. M. Seim.....
81	aSt. John's.....	Mount Brydges.....	W. J. McAllister.....	G. E. Longfield.....
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	W. J. Innes.....	F. Inksater.....
83	aBeaver.....	Strathroy.....	T. E. Bogne.....	W. A. Campbell.....
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	F. T. Jackson.....	H. E. Rorke.....
85	aRising Sun.....	Athens.....	D. L. Kavanagh.....	A. E. Watt.....
86	aWilson.....	Toronto.....	J. Leslie Rook.....	W. L. Lawer.....
87	Markham Union.....	Markham.....	James Smith.....	W. F. Law.....
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	R. S. Browne.....	J. M. Campbell.....
90	aManito.....	Collingwood.....	N. D. Boadway.....	D. M. Hughes.....
91	aColborne.....	Colborne.....	F. C. Chapman.....	H. S. Keyes.....
92	aCatarqui.....	Kingston.....	T. N. Clark.....	W. H. Dalby.....
93	aNorthern Light.....	Kincardine.....	J. L. Lamont.....	M. J. McPherson.....
94	aSt. Mark's.....	Port Stanley.....	Robt. Williamson.....	G. H. Goodhue.....
96	aCorinthian.....	Barrie.....	Dalton White.....	A. H. Felt.....
97	aSharon.....	Queensville.....	Wm. D. Cameron.....	W. B. Fairbairn.....
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	R. L. Barker.....	Geo. Lockwood.....
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	J. E. Morris.....	Geo. Russell.....
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	Jas. C. Anderson.....	F. A. Latshaw.....
101	aCorinthian.....	Peterborough.....	J. F. Strickland.....	R. F. Downey.....
103	aMaple Leaf.....	St. Catharines.....	Dr. J. G. Somerville.....	A. E. Coombs.....
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	F. C. Bishop.....	E. W. Moles, M.D.....
105	aSt. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	Thos. Harrison.....	Fred Trelford.....
106	aBurford.....	Burford.....	Albert S. Amy.....	Geo. Amrstrong.....
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	Geo. Gowanlock.....	R. A. McDougall.....
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	W. Henderson.....	C. S. Kerton.....
109	aAlbion.....	Harrowsmith.....	A. A. Asselstine.....	A. W. Hodgson.....
110	aCentral.....	Prescott.....	H. G. Whitney.....	C. H. Ranson.....
113	aWilson.....	Waterford.....	J. V. Bosworth.....	R. D. Gibson.....
114	aHope.....	Port Hope.....	H. Hutchings.....	Arthur Mark.....
115	aIvy.....	Beamsville.....	Geo. H. Dickson.....	W. D. Fairbrother.....
116	aCassia.....	Theford.....	Crawford Moloy.....	H. Carrothers.....
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	Steve R. Leonard.....	R. W. Stewart.....
119	aMaple Leaf.....	Bath.....	M. Creighton.....	F. G. Young.....
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	Duncan A. Brown.....	F. H. Hunter.....
121	aDoric.....	Brantford.....	W. D. Hurley.....	J. P. Temple.....
122	aRenfrew.....	Renfrew.....	R. T. Thacker.....	D. E. Stone.....
123	aBelleville.....	Belleville.....	F. Chapman.....	John McCarthy.....
125	aCornwall.....	Cornwall.....	J. E. Taylor.....	A. W. Gammon.....
126	aGolden Rule.....	Campbellford.....	T. E. Hall.....	F. C. Bonnycastle.....
127	aFrank.....	Frankford.....	G. F. Grant.....	Geo. D. Wright.....
128	aPembroke.....	Pembroke.....	W. J. Moore.....	C. W. Fraser.....
129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	J. H. L. Ward.....	S. C. Taylor.....
131	aSt. Lawrence.....	Southampton.....	Orley Martin.....	Fred Goodier.....
133	aLebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	H. O. Southcott.....	R. N. Creech.....
135	aSt. Clair.....	Milton.....	T. S. Robinson.....	P. D. Shorey.....
136	Richardson.....	Stouffville.....	H. B. Freel.....	H. Brillingier.....
137	aPythagoras.....	Meaford.....	M. E. Peacock.....	F. H. Finley.....
139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	M. R. Jacobi.....	W. A. Hare.....
140	aMalahide.....	Aylmer.....	F. H. Butcher.....	A. E. Richardson.....
141	aTudor.....	Mitchell.....	D. Ferguson.....	J. A. Myers.....
142	aExcelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	S. G. Finnie.....	Dr. W. C. Davy.....
143	aFriendly Brothers.....	Iroquois.....	C. L. Ellis.....	H. Hamilton.....
144	aTecumseh.....	Stratford.....	F. P. Gibbs.....	S. W. Rust.....
145	aJ. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	L. J. Byam.....	Chas. Thorndyke.....

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No. of Lodges	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
75	1st Monday.....	3	4	3	2	.....	4	8	8	391	377
76	2nd Monday.....	11	15	15	5	.....	7	2	9	327	324
77	1st Friday.....	4	4	4	2	2	4	4	.....	357	357
78	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	10	9	4	2	.....	1	3	1	280	287
79	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	2	3	3	.....	2	2	3	.....	119	118
81	2nd Tuesday.....	5	9	11	1	1	1	2	.....	109	109
82	2nd Tuesday.....	5	9	11	2	1	1	3	7	222	219
83	3rd Friday.....	8	7	7	6	4	1	6	.....	167	178
84	Friday on or aft. F.M.....	6	4	6	1	.....	.....	2	.....	160	165
85	Thur. on or bef. F.M.....	5	6	3	.....	.....	4	1	.....	91	90
86	3rd Tuesday.....	9	10	10	1	.....	3	7	14	498	484
87	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	12	8	2	.....	.....	2	4	.....	181	187
88	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	7	5	5	.....	.....	1	4	.....	261	263
90	2nd Tuesday.....	13	16	17	1	4	2	6	5	289	294
91	3rd Friday.....	9	7	8	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	133	139
92	2nd Friday.....	5	5	7	.....	3	4	6	9	459	448
93	1st Wednesday.....	6	10	11	4	2	3	5	.....	199	203
94	2nd Tuesday.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	2	5	92	83
96	1st Thursday.....	8	10	9	8	1	1	5	12	373	372
97	Tue. on or bef. F.M.....	1	3	4	.....	.....	5	3	6	117	105
98	Friday on or aft. F.M.....	2	5	5	.....	.....	1	.....	3	81	80
99	2nd Wednesday.....	6	6	3	1	1	1	1	.....	157	162
100	2nd Monday.....	14	14	16	4	1	2	2	.....	332	337
101	3rd Friday.....	9	6	7	1	.....	3	4	.....	277	280
103	Last Thursday.....	10	9	10	2	1	1	6	13	372	365
104	Tue. on or aft. F.M.....	4	5	5	.....	.....	1	1	6	176	172
105	2nd Tuesday.....	6	6	5	2	.....	2	3	9	318	311
106	3rd Wednesday.....	6	4	4	.....	4	4	1	11	141	135
107	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	3	3	3	5	.....	.....	1	2	122	127
108	2nd Tuesday.....	6	6	4	1	1	1	2	.....	91	96
109	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	1	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	177	176
110	1st Tuesday.....	2	2	2	.....	.....	2	4	.....	184	180
113	2nd Wednesday.....	5	4	4	3	.....	3	5	.....	175	175
114	1st Friday.....	5	5	6	1	.....	1	2	6	264	261
115	Tue. on or bef. F.M.....	8	8	4	.....	.....	1	2	5	226	226
116	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	2	3	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	68	68
118	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	3	4	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	79	84
119	2nd Monday.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	1	1	.....	131	129
120	1st Tuesday.....	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	73	74
121	3rd Friday.....	12	15	20	2	2	4	8	6	675	667
122	1st Monday.....	3	4	5	1	.....	2	.....	5	172	148
123	1st Thursday.....	11	10	15	1	1	.....	8	4	358	359
125	1st Wednesday.....	10	7	9	3	.....	1	7	2	223	226
126	1st Tuesday.....	9	8	8	.....	1	2	5	3	225	225
127	3rd Monday.....	1	2	1	2	.....	.....	6	.....	186	183
128	1st Thursday.....	9	7	8	2	1	1	3	3	201	206
129	1st Friday.....	7	7	5	1	.....	.....	2	.....	150	156
131	Tue. on or aft. F.M.....	2	2	3	2	1	1	1	3	119	119
133	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	10	12	8	1	.....	5	1	1	131	138
135	Thur. on or bef. F.M.....	3	5	4	.....	.....	3	6	.....	163	157
136	Fri. on or aft. F.M.....	5	4	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	94
137	1st Tuesday.....	5	8	7	.....	.....	4	2	1	155	153
139	2nd Tuesday.....	15	12	9	4	.....	1	2	13	316	319
140	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	3	2	1	5	1	1	5	.....	155	158
141	Tue. on or bef. F.M.....	5	4	4	1	1	4	1	5	149	146
142	1st Friday.....	4	4	4	1	.....	1	2	4	108	106
143	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	8	6	5	2	1	2	139	145
144	3rd Friday.....	15	9	11	6	5	7	2	308	387
145	2nd Thursday.....	5	5	4	4	99	100

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
146	aPrince of Wales.....	Newburgh.....	G. H. Bray.....	Delbert Sexsmith.....
147	Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	Nelson Washburn.....	S. Bradley.....
148	aCivil Service.....	Ottawa.....	C. E. Campbell.....	H. W. Lothrop.....
149	aEric.....	Port Dover.....	W. H. Barrett.....	John C. King.....
151	aGrand River.....	Kitchener.....	R. N. Merritt.....	P. Fisher.....
153	aBurns.....	Wyoming.....	R. H. Louch.....	Alex. McManus.....
154	aIrving.....	Lucan.....	S. Dundas.....	C. J. Murdy.....
155	aPeterborough.....	Peterborough.....	J. E. Downing.....	John Comstock.....
156	aYork.....	Toronto.....	Geo. Moir.....	W. E. Hofland.....
157	aSimpson.....	Newboro'.....	H. G. Sheldon.....	C. P. Bass.....
158	aAlexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	W. R. Morley.....	J. W. Sutherland.....
159	aGoodwood.....	Richmond.....	W. C. Mills.....	S. B. Gordon.....
161	aPercy.....	Warkworth.....	Leslie Campbell.....	A. M. Smale.....
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	G. M. Howes.....	Thos. Brown.....
164	aStar of the East.....	Wellington.....	R. D. Leavitt.....	E. L. Hubbs.....
165	aBurlington.....	Burlington.....	W. R. Leckie.....	James S. Allen.....
166	aWentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	A. C. Reid.....	John H. Lee.....
168	aMerritt.....	Welland.....	W. Anderson.....	L. R. Brennan.....
169	aMacnab.....	Port Colborne.....	C. R. Howard.....	W. A. Hicks.....
170	aBritannia.....	Seaforth.....	J. E. Keating.....	C. Aberhart.....
171	aPrince of Wales.....	Lawrence Sta.....	J. D. Thomson.....	J. C. Dundas.....
172	Ayr.....	Ayr.....	Wm. G. Hall.....	W. H. Shaw.....
174	aWalsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	R. C. Biddle.....	J. E. Biddle.....
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	A. E. G. Mann.....	J. J. McGill.....
178	aPlattsville.....	Plattsville.....	John G. Shearer.....	John Bristow.....
180	aSpeed.....	Glolph.....	W. G. Moore.....	Bard Whetstone.....
181	aOriental.....	Port Burwell.....	A. J. Bodsworth.....	J. B. Turner.....
184	aOld Light.....	Lucknow.....	W. V. Johnston.....	R. V. MacKenzie.....
185	aEnniskillen.....	York.....	A. Jackson.....	E. S. Bradt.....
186	aPlantagenet.....	Riceville.....	Rev. C. Gaudkroger.....	G. A. Ryan.....
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	O. F. Sexsmith.....	J. F. Turner.....
192	aOrillia.....	Orillia.....	A. H. Tudhope.....	Wm. J. Boyle.....
193	aScotland.....	Scotland.....	E. H. Knight.....	E. E. Messecar.....
194	aPetrolia.....	Petrolia.....	Herbert Rippin.....	C. J. Collins.....
195	aTuscan.....	London.....	Wendell Holmes.....	B. H. Higgins.....
196	aMadawaska.....	Arnprior.....	Ernest J. Davies.....	Arch McNab.....
197	aSaugeen.....	Walkerton.....	E. D. Cameron.....	C. T. Boss.....
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.....	Ivan Chalmers.....	G. F. S. LeWarne.....
201	aLeeds.....	Gananoque.....	J. G. Fraser.....	A. L. Knight.....
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	Lloyd E. Bissell.....	R. D. Cardno.....
205	aNew Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	Wesley Gray.....	W. A. Ruthig.....
207	aLancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Ross G. McRae.....	J. R. Harkness.....
209	aEvergreen.....	Lanark.....	C. E. White.....	Edwin Smith.....
209a	aSt. John's.....	London.....	Robt. Stewart.....	Robt. Wilson.....
215	aLake.....	Ameliasburg.....	Harold Ward.....	H. E. Redner.....
216	aHarris.....	Orangeville.....	G. M. RitzGerald.....	A. E. Annis.....
217	aFrederick.....	Delhi.....	W. H. Smith.....	Max MacPherson.....
218	aStevenson.....	Toronto.....	W. J. Pelz.....	H. C. H. Corneil.....
219	aCredit.....	Georgetown.....	L. G. Marchment.....	Geo. Ford.....
220	aZerodatha.....	Uxbridge.....	Charles Byron Willis.....	V. M. Hare.....
221	aMountain.....	Thorold.....	Geo. Doherty.....	W. J. Mahle.....
222	aMarmora.....	Marmora.....	F. J. Sweet.....	D. E. Bell.....
223	aNorwood.....	Norwood.....	Wm. J. Renwick.....	J. F. Pearce.....
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	Robt. D. Bell.....	L. R. Coles.....
225	aBernard.....	Listowel.....	J. R. Askin.....	J. H. Blackmore.....
228	aPrince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	D. Bruce Smith.....	E. S. Parrott.....
229	aIonic.....	Brampton.....	P. Warr.....	R. V. Conover.....
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	E. R. Lewis.....	R. J. Sprott.....
231	Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	W. A. Perry.....	Robt. Shaw.....

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 21 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
146	Wed. bef. F.M.	1	2	2			2	2	4	92	85
147	1st Friday	2	2	3	1		3	2	1	160	151
148	2nd Tuesday	4	5	5	2		2	5	2	356	353
149	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	5	3	4				4	1	164	164
151	2nd Tuesday	12	16	17	2			6		400	410
153	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	2			3	2		120	117
154	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	5	5	1		2	1	2	126	127
155	1st Friday	11	14	13	3		4	2		378	377
156	3rd Friday	20	25	27	2		2	8	2	445	455
157	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	5	5	1			1		90	93
158	Thurs. on or after F.M.	2	4	5	1	1		2	2	98	98
159	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	4	1			2	5	81	78
161	1st Wednesday	3	5	8		1	1	1		144	146
162	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	2						69	71
164	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	4	2	2	2			4		133	135
165	1st Wednesday	5	3	2	1	2	1	1	13	240	233
166	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	11	10	10	1			1	5	292	298
168	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	9	10	11	1	1		5		263	269
169	2nd Tuesday	3	3	4	3		2	2	4	223	221
170	1st Monday	4	4	3	1		2	2	9	151	143
171	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	3					3	47	47
172	2nd Monday	5	1	1			3	1		89	90
174	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	8	8		2	2	3	4	134	130
177	2nd Friday	7	3	4	2	1	1	5	8	417	413
178	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	6	6	5			2	3		65	66
180	1st Tuesday	16	13	13	1		1	3	5	340	348
181	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	8	6	5			1	2		66	71
184	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	14	8	9	2		1	5	3	187	194
185	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	1	1		1		1	5	65	62
186	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1	1	1				1		62	62
190	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	3			1	2		116	116
192	1st Friday	20	14	12	3		2	8		436	449
193	1st Monday	1	4	5				2	2	130	127
194	2nd Wednesday	4	4	4	1		1	4	9	224	215
195	1st Monday	5	5	5	1		2	3		320	321
196	2nd Monday	6	6	7	1			1	3	166	169
197	2nd Tuesday	6	6	8			1	2	4	173	172
200	Fri. on or bef. F.M.		1	3			2	1		113	110
201	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	5	3	3	2		3	2		268	270
203	3rd Friday	3	1				2	1		122	122
205	2nd Monday	2	2	1			1	2	7	57	49
207	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	4	2	2				2		106	108
209	1st Tuesday	2	2	4	1			2		101	102
209a	1st Friday	14	15	14	2	1	4	7	2	636	640
215	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	2			1	1		113	112
216	1st Tuesday	5	5	7	2	1	1	7	5	249	237
217	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	9	9	3			3		99	105
218	2nd Monday	15	18	21			3	4		383	391
219	2nd Friday	6	8	9	2	3	1	1	10	166	165
220	3rd Monday	5	6	13	2	5	1	1	5	220	225
221	2nd Thursday	6	4	8	2	1	1	3	2	276	279
222	3rd Monday	3	2				2	3		134	136
223	2nd Monday	4	6	5	2		2	2	5	106	103
224	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	2	1		2			93	96
225	Fr. on or bef. F.M.	10	9	9	3		3	6	7	251	248
228	3rd Monday	3	2	2				1		112	114
229	3rd Tuesday	20	21	20	9	2	3	4	4	235	255
230	3rd Thursday	13	14	13	4		4	2	3	328	336
231	3rd Tuesday	6	9	11				6	10	416	406

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
232	aCameron.....	Dutton.....	Peter Love.....	A. L. Crawford.....
233	Doric.....	Parkhill	W. A. Sutherland.....	J. H. Young.....
234	aBeaver.....	Clarksburg.....	W. A. McAustan.....	Thos. G. Idle.....
235	Aldworth.....	Paisley.....	Wm. G. Bain.....	T. R. McLennan.....
236	aManitoba.....	Cookstown.....	J. F. Cullingham.....	T. McKnight.....
237	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	Henry A. Marshall.....	S. S. Clutton.....
238	Havelock.....	Watford.....	J. H. Hosford.....	Peter Garson.....
239	Tweed.....	Tweed.....	Chas. R. Porritt.....	G. D. C. Morton.....
242	aMacoy.....	Mallorytown.....	John Collins.....	A. Votier.....
243	aSt. George.....	St. George.....	J. A. Smith.....	W. J. Smith.....
245	aTecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	M. E. Williams.....	J. M. Coutts.....
247	aAshlar.....	Toronto.....	John R. Rumball.....	W. H. Lyon.....
249	aCaledonian.....	Midland.....	R. R. Wilson.....	H. L. Reay.....
250	Thistle.....	Embro.....	Norman McLeod.....	D. J. McLeod.....
253	aMinden.....	Kingston.....	W. A. Butlin.....	R. S. Graham.....
254	aClifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	F. S. Lane.....	J. C. Lymburner.....
255	Sydenham.....	Dresden.....	James V. Foster.....	M. S. Blackburn.....
256	aParran's Point.....	Aultsville.....	M. J. Countryman.....	W. A. McMillan.....
257	aGalt.....	Galt.....	H. A. Hannam.....	E. F. Hetherington.....
258	Guelph.....	Guelph.....	S. S. Royce.....	F. F. Sweetman.....
259	Springfield.....	Springfield.....	R. E. Clunas.....	S. Simpson.....
260	aWashington.....	Petrolia.....	J. E. Taylor.....	H. F. Winter.....
261	aOak Branch.....	Innerkip.....	Geo. A. Spencer.....	J. S. Hislop.....
262	aHarrison.....	Harriston.....	Hugh M. Sinclair.....	J. H. Fawcett.....
263	aForest.....	Forest.....	H. K. Weatherdon.....	R. B. Crosbie.....
264	aChaudiere.....	Ottawa.....	W. O. Graburn.....	Henry Gates.....
265	Patterson.....	Thornhill.....	Neil G. McDonald.....	J. A. Thompson.....
266	aNorthern Light.....	Stayner.....	C. H. Canthers.....	Geo. A. Clemanee.....
267	Parthenon.....	Chatham.....	Wm. Robt Coltart.....	J. G. Martin.....
268	aVerulam.....	Bobcaygeon.....	J. C. Murphy.....	Harry Stinson.....
269	aBrougham Union.....	Claremont.....	M. E. Anderson.....	D. M. Morgan.....
270	aCedar.....	Oshawana.....	Robt. Meek.....	M. L. Argall.....
271	Wellington.....	Erin.....	Anson H. Dyer.....	T. C. Foster.....
272	Seymour.....	Ancaster.....	W. F. Patterson.....	Ernest McMullen.....
274	aKent.....	Blenheim.....	P. T. Murdock.....	C. H. Mooney.....
276	aTeeswater.....	Teeswater.....	J. W. Hendry.....	G. S. Fowler.....
277	aSeymour.....	Port Dalhousie.....	Geo. H. Scott.....	Thos. O. Johnston.....
279	aNew Hope.....	Hespeler.....	R. A. Young.....	Arthur Pullam.....
282	Lorne.....	Glencoe.....	Carl Phelps.....	J. A. Jones.....
283	aEureka.....	Belleville.....	Newton Thompson.....	L. E. Walmsley.....
284	St. John's.....	Brussels.....	Chas. Lockwood.....	Wm. Gillespie.....
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	Thomas E. Reynolds.....	G. F. Crosbie.....
286	Wingham.....	Wingham.....	W. H. Phair.....	G. L. Baker.....
287	aShuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	Jas. A. Wilson.....	A. P. Freed.....
289	aDoric.....	Lobo.....	Rev. Geo. Oliver.....	D. H. Sells.....
290	aLeamington.....	Leamington.....	Alfred Fursey.....	G. A. Campbell.....
291	aDufferin.....	W. Flamboro'.....	Geo. W. Jones.....	C. O. Green.....
292	aRobertson.....	King.....	W. J. Burns.....	Fred E. Boys.....
294	aMoore.....	Courtright.....	J. H. Whealen.....	C. W. Kent.....
295	aConestogo.....	Drayton.....	Richard Ingram.....	Calvert Scarr.....
296	aTemple.....	St. Catharines.....	F. W. Armstrong.....	C. A. Brown.....
297	Preston.....	Preston.....	H. W. Steel.....	Jos. A. King.....
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	H. R. Paul.....	H. A. Carscallen.....
300	aMount Olivet.....	Thorndale.....	Wm. J. Kernoham.....	R. H. Harding.....
302	St. David's.....	St. Thomas.....	John Oswald.....	W. H. Stapleton.....
303	aBlyth.....	Blyth.....	Robt. Newcombe.....	S. A. Poplestone.....
304	aMinerva.....	Stroud.....	A. L. Webb.....	G. W. Hewson.....
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	Jos. S. Hamer.....	A. E. Seythes.....
306	Durham.....	Durham.....	W. H. Kress.....	John Morrison.....

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Special Addresses of Secretaries

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
232	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	1				1	3	3		123	119
233	2nd Tuesday	1	1	3	1		3		3	157	151
234	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	1	3	2				1		109	109
235	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	5	2	2	1		3	1	2	132	131
236	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	7	7	10			1			141	147
237	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4	1	3	3	1	5	113	111
238	Tuesday bef. F.M.	3	4	3	2			1	1	117	120
239	2nd Friday	3	6	6		1	3	1	1	176	175
242	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2		1				3	2	130	127
243	1st Tuesday	3	4	4			1			96	98
245	2nd Monday	1	3	6	1		3		3	151	147
247	4th Tuesday	6	7	6	3		2	10	3	400	394
249	1st Monday	9	9	19		1	2	5		324	327
250	Thur. on or bef. F.M.			3						143	143
253	1st Tuesday	12	13	13	1		4	9	11	358	347
254	1st Thursday	13	17	18	7	4	5	6	14	501	500
255	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	4		1	1	3	2	159	157
256	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	5	4	2				2		121	124
257	1st Tuesday	8	8	8	3		3	2	3	310	313
258	2nd Tuesday	15	11	15	1	1	1	6	8	351	353
259	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	6					3	161	165
260	1st Wednesday	8	8	7		1	1	5	3	213	213
261	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	3	2	2		1				58	62
262	2nd Monday	4	4	4	2	1		2	3	126	128
263	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	5	1			3		171	173
264	4th Tuesday	16	15	14	3	1		6	3	406	417
265	3rd Thursday	19	16	8		1	2	5	2	149	160
266	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	2	1		2			93	95
267	1st Wednesday	8	11	11			1	5	2	524	524
268	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	3	8	7						114	117
269	Wed. on or before F.M.	6	7	10					9	115	112
270	4th Tuesday	13	12	25	4		3	2		358	370
271	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	9	8	8		1		3		100	107
272	2nd Tuesday	6	5	5	1			2	10	213	208
274	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	8	10			1	1	2	245	249
276	4th Thursday	4	8	7	1		3			102	104
277	2nd Wednesday	4	3	3	2			2		138	142
279	2nd Monday	2	2	2	2					144	149
282	2nd Tuesday	4	4	2			2	2	12	134	122
283	2nd Wednesday	15	19	11	3		1	3		305	319
284	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	3		1		3	2	7	129	121
285	2nd Monday	9	6	4	4	2	2	4	9	192	192
286	1st Tuesday	6	6	3			1	1		169	173
287	1st Tuesday	13	11	12	6	1	4	6		501	509
289	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	5			2			125	127
290	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	12	10	10			2	3	26	345	326
291	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	1					1	1		126	125
292	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1	3	4			1	2		88	86
294	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	2	2	1		1	2		93	94
295	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	1	1	2						117	118
296	3rd Wednesday	11	13	17	5		3	3	14	389	385
297	3rd Friday	7	7	7	1	1	3		3	187	190
299	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	5	5				1		87	89
300	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	1	1				1			77	77
302	3rd Thurs.	6	6	5			4	6	9	505	492
303	Tues. on or aft. F.M.	1			1		2	1		99	98
304	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	7	9	9					2	173	178
305	4th Friday	2	2	3		1	3	3	10	227	215
306	2nd Tuesday	2	1	2	3		3			158	160

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
307	aArkona.....	Arkona.....	Wm. McPherson.....	Chas. A. Dickson.....
309	aMorning Star	Carlow.....	Ernest Mitchell.....	R. D. Munro.....
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge.....	S. A. Saylor.....	S. W. Mayhew.....
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg.....	R. A. Carscallen.....	D. F. Johnson.....
313	aClementi.....	Lakefield.....	D. H. Webster.....	Chas. H. Hunter.....
314	aBlair.....	Palmerston.....	W. R. Johnston.....	R. G. Barton.....
315	aClifford.....	Clifford.....	John McLeod.....	E. Eckenswiler.....
316	aDoric.....	Toronto.....	Clarke Allen.....	Louis Anderton.....
318	aWilmot.....	Baden.....	D. L. Weese.....	A. E. Livingston.....
319	aHiram.....	Hagersville.....	H. A. Schwyer.....	W. C. VanLoon.....
320	aChesterville.....	Chesterville.....	Geo. R. Gillard.....	S. H. Hutt.....
321	aWalker.....	Acton.....	W. R. E. Blair.....	R. M. McDonald.....
322	aNorth Star.....	Owen Sound.....	John L. McInnis.....	A. A. Parks.....
323	aAlvinston.....	Alvinston.....	W. A. Munro.....	James Holme.....
324	aTemple.....	Hamilton.....	E. A. Ellis.....	H. I. Sparks.....
325	Orono.....	Orono.....	H. A. Millson.....	Dr. Neil Colville.....
326	aZetland.....	Toronto.....	H. C. Crow.....	F. G. Logan.....
327	aHammond.....	Wardsville.....	James L. Watterworth.....	H. L. Harvey.....
328	aIonic.....	Napier.....	J. F. Richardson.....	W. T. Buchanan.....
329	aKing Solomon's.....	Jarvis.....	W. Z. Nixon.....	R. W. Smith.....
330	aCorinthian.....	London.....	J. J. Wilson.....	H. J. Childs.....
331	aFordwich.....	Fordwich.....	Ivan Harris.....	John Sangster.....
332	aStratford.....	Stratford.....	J. E. Myers.....	E. Denroche.....
333	aPrince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	W. R. Meads.....	H. A. McCauley.....
334	aPrince Arthur.....	Arthur.....	G. M. Barton.....	W. G. Corvett.....
336	aHighgate	Highgate.....	W. J. Poole.....	J. R. McPherson.....
337	aMyrtle.....	Port Robinson	J. E. C. Simpson.....	R. R. Camp.....
338	aDufferin.....	Wellandport.....	Wm. Piper.....	F. E. Cayne.....
339	aOrient.....	Toronto.....	Jos. Gallaher.....	H. D. Ashley.....
341	aBruce.....	Tiverton.....	RI J. McKellar.....	H. C. Steincamp.....
343	aGeorgina.....	Toronto.....	E. H. Stanners.....	Geo. Thompson.....
344	aMerrill.....	Dorchester.....	James Knight.....	R. A. Logan.....
345	aNilestown.....	Nilestown.....	J. H. Fishback.....	J. F. Johnson.....
346	aOccident.....	Toronto.....	Jos. T. Berry.....	Wm. M. Williams.....
347	aMercer.....	Fergus.....	W. A. Ford.....	Geo. A. Reynolds.....
348	aGeorgian.....	Penetanguishene.....	H. J. Richardson.....	R. D. Keefe.....
352	aGranite.....	Parry Sound.....	Frank Smith.....	J. D. Broughton.....
354	aBrock.....	Cannington.....	Wm. R. Beard.....	C. F. Bick.....
356	aRiver Park.....	Streetsville.....	E. L. Waite.....	Russell Langmaid.....
357	aWaterdown.....	Millgrove.....	Thomas H. Ness.....	John R. Nicol.....
358	aDelaware Valley.....	Delaware.....	H. C. Lipsitt.....	S. Merrill.....
359	aVittoria.....	Vittoria.....	Grant Spencer.....	F. B. Butler.....
360	aMuskoka.....	Bracebridge.....	Geo. S. Johnson.....	W. G. Gerhart.....
361	aWaverley.....	Guelph.....	A. C. Shank.....	H. W. Hinman.....
362	aMaple Leaf.....	Tara.....	Jas. W. Collins.....	R. I. Shannon.....
364	aDufferin.....	Melbourne.....	Geo. R. McMillan.....	Jas. Gentleman.....
367	aSt. George.....	Toronto.....	J. H. Wilkinson.....	A. B. Hutchcroft.....
368	aSalem.....	Brockville.....	H. A. Hanson.....	E. A. Geiger.....
369	aMimico.....	Lambton Mills.....	Wm. Creek.....	W. A. Beecroft.....
370	aHarmony.....	Delta.....	W. Raymond Steele.....	H. E. Johnson.....
371	aPrince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	Jos. McAnoy.....	H. J. Sykes.....
372	aPalmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	C. T. Ferguson.....	Wm. G. Stamp.....
373	aCopestone.....	Welland.....	P. Carnochan.....	Alf Tattersall.....
374	aKeene.....	Keene.....	Wm. Renwick.....	D. D. Brown.....
375	aLorne.....	Omamee.....	Percy Pogue.....	W. J. Thorn.....
376	aUnity.....	Huntsville.....	E. W. Geddes.....	Oscar Wieler.....
377	aLorne.....	Shelburne.....	J. R. Berwick.....	Samuel Patterson.....
378	aKing Solomon's.....	London.....	Thos. J. Holmes.....	Wm. Nicholls.....
379	aMiddlesex.....	Bryanston.....	C. W. Gloyne.....	H. E. Ralph.....

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
307	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	3			1	1	1	80	77
309	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	2	2		1	1	1	85	86
311	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1	4	4	2		1		2	100	100
312	3rd Monday	5	4	9	2		1	2	9	232	227
313	1st Tuesday	8	8	6	2			3	1	153	159
314	2nd Friday	8	10	13			1			178	185
315	3rd Monday	3	3	3			1	1		78	79
316	3rd Thursday	20	13	14	1	4	5	9	15	483	479
318	Fri. on or after F.M.	2	2	2						37	39
319	2nd Thursday	2	3	2		2	2	2	7	195	188
320	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	4			1	2		114	115
321	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	1	3	2			1		136	139
322	Wed. after F.M.	12	9	3	2	2	2	1	6	269	276
323	Wed. on bef. F. M.	3	2	2	1					94	98
324	2nd Tuesday	13	13	13	3	2	2	10	5	603	605
325	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	4	3			1	1		87	88
326	4th Friday	16	21	17	2	1	3	15	8	663	656
327	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	2	2		1	1	2	2	67	66
328	Fri. on or bef. F. M.							3	4	61	54
329	2nd Friday	3	2	3		1	1		2	93	94
330	1st Tuesday	8	10	10		1	1	2	8	373	371
331	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	1	1	1	2			6	63	61
332	2nd Monday	13	11	11	1		3	3		373	380
333	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	8	12	5	1		2	1		142	148
334	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	4	8	1	1		1	1	84	90
336	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	5	5	4	1			1		119	124
337	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	1	1			2		2	92	91
338	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	3	4				1		86	87
339	1st Tuesday	12	16	16		4	2	8	7	470	469
341	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2				1	4	76	73
343	1st Saturday	8	10	9			2	5	14	502	489
344	1st Thursday				1		1	1		90	89
345	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	4		1			8	108	106
346	3rd Wednesday	8	5	5	1	5	7	7	10	564	554
347	1st Friday	5	8	5			2	2		123	124
348	1st Thursday	1	2	2			2	1	2	125	121
352	3rd Wednesday	2	5	6	1	2	2	4		304	303
354	2nd Wednesday	3	4	4				2	4	102	99
356	1st Tuesday	5	5	3	1		3	2	5	136	132
357	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	8	12	2			3	2	212	215
358	2nd Thursday	4	4	3	2		3	1		90	92
359	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	4	5	3	1			4		86	87
360	1st Tuesday	4	6	5	3			2	5	142	142
361	4th Monday	9	11	11	4		12	4	12	418	403
362	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	1			3	1		84	82
364	Wed. on or bef. F. M.						1	1		77	75
367	1st Friday	11	11	14				9	11	496	487
368	2nd Monday	25	22	10	5	1	5	5	2	316	325
369	2nd Tuesday	8	16	21	2		3	4	6	281	278
370	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	5	3	2						110	115
371	4th Friday	15	10	12	1		1	3	6	346	352
372	1st Tuesday	5	6	5			5	1	1	171	169
373	1st Thursday	9	7	5			1	6	4	269	267
374	3rd Thursday	2	2	2					2	46	46
375	2nd Wednesday	3	1	2				3	1	117	115
376	2nd Wednesday	4	6	8		1	3	6	3	190	183
377	1st Friday	3	3	4		1	1	2	1	138	138
378	2nd Thursday	25	22	20	2	3	4	5	7	490	504
379	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	1	1			2		72	72

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380	aUnion.....	London.....	Herbert Shill.....	Jos. Ward.....
382	aDoric.....	Hamilton.....	Geo. Packer.....	Dr. E. V. Emory.....
383	Henderson.....	Winchester.....	C. B. Timmins.....	A. H. Annable.....
384	aAlpha.....	Toronto.....	P. M. Jackson.....	Wm. Moull.....
385	aSpry.....	Beeton.....	W. P. Withers.....	Thos. Knowles.....
386	aMcColl.....	West Lorne.....	Rev. W. M. Kiteley.....	A. W. Smith.....
387	aLansdowne.....	Lansdowne.....	Jas. J. Wallace.....	G. H. Landon.....
388	aHenderson.....	Ilderton.....	C. R. Charlton.....	W. F. Walls.....
389	aCrystal Fountain.....	N. Augusta.....	Mansell Hough.....	Wm. W. Bibier.....
390	aFlorence.....	Florence.....	Wilfred Lindsay.....	James Betty.....
391	aHoward.....	Ridgetown.....	J. L. Wilson.....	Dr. T. A. Routledge.....
392	aHuron.....	Camlachie.....	John A. Lamont.....	J. W. Lowrie.....
393	Forest.....	Chesley.....	John H. Maxwell.....	S. M. Ewart.....
394	aKing Solomon's.....	Thamesford.....	Robt. Oliver.....	H. J. Hogg.....
395	Parvaim.....	Comber.....	C. A. Yorke.....	L. Dean.....
396	aCedar.....	Warton.....	J. F. Currie.....	W. M. Newman.....
397	aLeopold.....	Brigden.....	Sherman W. Parr.....	Thos. R. Stark.....
398	Victoria.....	Kirkfield.....	G. V. Dunn.....	T. N. Gordon.....
399	Moifat.....	Harrietsville.....	Harry Jackson.....	John M. MacVicar.....
400	aOakville.....	Oakville.....	Dr. W. P. Jebb.....	E. O. Taylor.....
401	aCraig.....	Deseronto.....	K. A. Bowen.....	W. J. Bowen.....
402	Central.....	Essex.....	W. P. Davis.....	H. W. McGill.....
403	aWindsor.....	Windsor.....	H. Beardmore.....	A. N. Pettit.....
404	aLorne.....	Tamworth.....	W. N. Carney.....	J. R. Adair.....
405	Mattawa.....	Mattawa.....	J. H. Spec.....	A. I. Tongue.....
406	aSpry.....	Fenelon Falls.....	Thos. Cl. Graham.....	H. J. Townley.....
408	aMurray.....	Beaverton.....	C. M. Doherty.....	W. C. Latimer.....
409	aGolden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.....	Dr. M. M. Gisher.....	W. H. Butterworth.....
410	aZeta.....	Toronto.....	Edgar Wilkins.....	S. J. Goyde.....
411	aRodney.....	Rodney.....	J. A. Fletcher.....	Dr. O. J. Davies.....
412	aKeystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	A. R. Hugill.....	E. M. Shaw.....
413	aNaphthali.....	Tilbury.....	W. E. Cowley.....	G. Z. Vickerman.....
414	Pequonga.....	Kenora.....	Harry H. Tate.....	Jas. B. Davies.....
415	aFort William.....	Fort William.....	W. J. Strachan.....	C. E. Coombes.....
416	Lyn.....	Lyn.....	R. A. Delye.....	F. Stafford.....
417	aKeewatin.....	Keewatin.....	M. R. Symonds.....	P. E. Baker.....
418	aMaxville.....	Maxville.....	W. Stirling McLean.....	M. B. Stewart.....
419	aLiberty.....	Sarnia.....	E. L. Treitz.....	W. J. Alcock.....
420	Nipissing.....	North Bay.....	J. H. Wright.....	Dr. B. F. Nott.....
421	aScott.....	Grand Valley.....	E. W. Devine.....	W. A. Wanshrough.....
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell.....	Robt. P. Donald.....	B. H. Hankinson.....
423	aStrong.....	Sundridge.....	Cecil E. Grose.....	M. J. Gully.....
424	aDoric.....	Pickering.....	Chas. A. Sterritt.....	E. L. Chapman.....
425	aSt. Clair.....	Sombra.....	A. J. McDonald.....	C. H. Balsdon.....
426	aStanley.....	Toronto.....	Geo. McKenzie.....	Wm. Harris.....
427	aNickel.....	Sudbury.....	F. Rothery.....	Jos. Fowler.....
428	Fidelity.....	Port Perry.....	D. W. McIntosh.....	Geo. R. Davey.....
429	aPort Elgin.....	Port Elgin.....	B. D. Young.....	H. C. Koebke.....
430	aAcacia.....	Toronto.....	A. Pickles.....	E. Pickles.....
431	Moravian.....	Cargill.....	Guy Semple.....	M. L. Ziegler.....
432	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	W. T. Buck.....	J. A. Magee.....
433	aBonnechere.....	Eganville.....	Geo. R. Shane.....	James Reeves.....
434	Algonquin.....	Emisdale.....	Chas. H. White.....	James Metcalfe.....
435	aHavelock.....	Havelock.....	R. E. Green.....	A. C. Denike.....
436	aBurns.....	Hepworth.....	J. Matches.....	W. F. Brown.....
437	aTuscan.....	Sarnia.....	L. N. Stubbs.....	W. J. Barrie.....
438	aHarmony.....	Toronto.....	A. E. Lanning.....	Thos. Robertson.....
439	Alexandria.....	Alexandria.....	Lyman S. Graham.....	Dr. H. L. Cheney.....
440	Arcadia.....	Minden.....	James M. Graham.....	Wilmer MacArthur.....
441	aWestport.....	Westport.....	T. E. Gorsline.....	J. D. Adams.....

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are corrected up to July 18, 1931.

No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Member 31 Dec., 1930
380	2nd Monday.....	5	6	7	1	1	.....	7	2	386	384
382	3rd Monday.....	12	14	12	2	1	7	7	5	560	556
383	2nd Friday.....	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	6	112	109
384	1st Thursday.....	15	18	12	4	1	2	8	20	677	667
385	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	10	12	7	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	104	113
386	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	6	5	2	1	1	.....	8	.....	164	164
387	Thur. on or bef. F.M.....	4	4	5	2	1	2	2	.....	100	103
388	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	1	3	4	1	.....	.....	1	.....	117	118
389	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	4	2	2	.....	.....	4	1	8	99	90
390	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	1	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	94
391	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	1	3	.....	203	200
392	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	4	4	4	.....	.....	2	2	10	108	100
393	Thur. on or bef. F.M.....	5	5	5	.....	2	1	.....	.....	123	129
394	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	4	4	3	.....	.....	2	.....	8	127	123
395	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	2	1	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....	89	90
396	Tue. on or bef. F.M.....	.....	2	4	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	177	175
397	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	2	1	1	1	.....	2	1	1	121	115
398	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	2	4	5	.....	.....	1	1	3	111	108
399	1st Wednesday.....	4	4	4	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	75	75
400	1st Tuesday.....	4	6	6	.....	.....	1	3	.....	250	250
401	1st Tuesday.....	4	3	5	.....	.....	.....	1	13	127	117
402	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	4	6	5	.....	.....	2	3	.....	200	199
403	1st Friday.....	27	28	26	.....	4	5	10	40	593	569
404	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	5	5	3	2	.....	.....	1	.....	66	72
405	1st Tuesday.....	4	2	1	.....	.....	2	1	.....	100	101
406	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	5	5	6	.....	.....	2	1	.....	114	116
408	2nd Tuesday.....	4	4	5	.....	.....	.....	2	7	137	132
409	2nd Monday.....	3	3	3	2	.....	.....	2	.....	152	155
410	4th Friday.....	12	12	15	.....	.....	2	8	3	491	490
411	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	1	1	2	1	.....	.....	1	6	127	122
412	1st Tuesday.....	15	17	21	5	3	2	9	4	471	479
413	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	5	4	5	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	108	108
414	1st Wednesday.....	4	5	5	.....	.....	3	6	2	290	283
415	2nd Wednesday.....	10	13	14	3	.....	4	5	12	426	418
416	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	2	4	4	.....	1	1	.....	.....	57	55
417	1st Friday.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	128	128
418	2nd Friday.....	1	1	1	1	.....	3	1	.....	110	108
419	2nd Monday.....	5	5	3	.....	.....	.....	2	3	177	177
420	2nd Monday.....	12	10	8	5	1	1	1	6	344	354
421	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	2	2	1	3	.....	2	3	6	82	76
422	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	109	109
423	3rd Monday.....	2	1	2	1	.....	.....	2	.....	112	113
424	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3	3	.....	1	2	.....	.....	83	84
425	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	3	3	3	.....	.....	.....	1	2	108	108
426	1st Tuesday.....	16	23	24	1	4	3	5	6	536	543
427	1st Wednesday.....	21	18	12	4	.....	6	2	12	360	365
428	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	3	2	3	1	10	1	3	12	172	170
429	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	9	6	5	3	.....	4	.....	.....	89	97
430	3rd Monday.....	9	12	10	3	.....	2	5	6	370	369
431	3rd Monday.....	3	6	5	.....	.....	1	.....	3	64	63
432	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	7	11	11	.....	1	3	2	3	123	123
433	2nd Monday.....	4	3	3	1	1	1	.....	2	115	118
434	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	5	4	4	.....	.....	2	3	.....	131	131
435	3rd Monday.....	6	4	4	1	.....	.....	2	.....	170	173
436	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	3	3	3	.....	.....	1	.....	1	90	91
437	3rd Wednesday.....	17	18	14	3	1	4	6	13	492	490
438	4th Monday.....	19	25	22	2	3	7	7	8	494	496
439	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	2	2	2	1	1	80	80
440	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	3	3	1	2	2	112	111
441	1st Friday.....	2	2	2	1	2	97	96

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
442	aDyment.....	Thessalon.....	Chaw. H. Williams.....	R. C. Dobie.....
443	aPowassan.....	Powassan.....	H. M. Little.....	W. C. Porter.....
444	aNitetis.....	Creemore.....	I. N. Watson.....	Rev. G. B. Williams.....
445	aLake of the Woods.....	Kenora.....	Stuart Richards.....	W. Boquist.....
446	aGranite.....	Port Frances.....	R. R. Collum.....	J. R. Angus.....
447	Sturgeon Falls.....	Sturgeon Falls.....	J. F. Boucher.....	E. W. Innes.....
448	aXenophon.....	Wheatley.....	A. C. Wilson.....	W. M. Chute.....
449	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	S. C. Sudden.....	L. E. Champ.....
450	aHawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury.....	H. Greenspon.....	Geo. A. Cass.....
451	aSomerville.....	Kinmount.....	Harold Carr.....	C. W. Wellstood.....
452	aAvonmore.....	Avonmore.....	Alex. A. McMillan.....	S. E. Shaver.....
453	Royal.....	Fort William.....	R. D. Brille.....	R. Daggar.....
454	Corona.....	Burk's Falls.....	W. E. Clark.....	Dr. J. J. Wilson.....
455	Doric.....	Little Current.....	C. R. Bradley.....	O. T. Bennett.....
456	Elma.....	Monkton.....	H. A. McCourt.....	C. W. Hobbs.....
457	aCentury.....	Merlin.....	G. D. Crewe.....	G. E. Johnston.....
458	aWales.....	Wales.....	Fred Brassard.....	Geo. D. Colquhoun.....
459	aCobden.....	Cobden.....	Arthur Spence.....	J. E. Ritchie.....
460	aRideau.....	Seeley's Bay.....	C. H. Robb.....	J. R. Hartley.....
461	aIonic.....	Rainy River.....	Malcolm McNeil.....	Jas. A. Crackel.....
462	Temiskaming.....	New Liskeard.....	Hugh Cuthbertson.....	J. H. Brown.....
463	North Entrance.....	Haliburton.....	W. H. Burkholder.....	Fred Jones.....
464	King Edward.....	Sunderland.....	Melville F. Bagshaw.....	L. M. Pinkham.....
465	aCarleton.....	Elmvale.....	Wm. G. Robertson.....	Geo. A. Moore.....
466	aCoronation.....	Elmvale.....	Dr. D. C. Harvie.....	A. L. Fleming.....
467	aTottenham.....	Tottenham.....	James Henderson.....	J. J. McKnight.....
468	Peel.....	Caledon East.....	A. W. Fleming.....	J. G. Fleetham.....
469	aAlgoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	J. A. Nattress.....	J. Dudley.....
470	aVictoria.....	Victoria Harbor.....	J. Bruce Winfield.....	J. P. Schissler.....
471	aKing Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	J. M. Rapelje.....	E. G. McKenzie.....
472	aGore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....	S. A. Casson.....	E. F. Pridde.....
473	aThe Beaches.....	Toronto.....	John Porter.....	S. J. Manchester.....
474	aVictoria.....	Toronto.....	Oliver Watson.....	D. L. McPherson.....
475	aDundurn.....	Hamilton.....	S. G. Cunningham.....	Geo. Milne.....
476	aCorinthian.....	North Gower.....	W. G. McGulla.....	F. L. Brownlee.....
477	aHarding.....	Woodville.....	H. A. Campbell.....	J. J. Ruan.....
478	aMilverton.....	Milverton.....	James A. Dewar.....	E. Seigner.....
479	aRussell.....	Russell.....	L. N. Latimer.....	J. A. Gamble.....
480	aWilliamsburg.....	Williamsburg.....	A. M. Casselman.....	J. A. Barkley.....
481	aCorinthian.....	Toronto.....	Fred Wright.....	Geo. M. Britton.....
482	aBancroft.....	Bancroft.....	Rev. N. R. Stout.....	J. L. Churcher.....
483	aGranton.....	Granton.....	F. J. Kipp.....	W. H. Foster.....
484	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....	H. Morrison.....	A. E. Berrey.....
485	aHaileybury.....	Haileybury.....	Rev. F. H. Hincks.....	H. Clifford.....
486	aSilver.....	Cobalt.....	H. E. Tomney.....	H. Phelps.....
487	aPenewobikong.....	Blind River.....	J. A. Gillespie.....	R. P. Scott.....
488	aKing Edward.....	Harrow.....	Chas. Brush.....	R. C. Flood.....
489	Osiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	Geo. E. Goodfellow.....	J. W. Gray.....
490	aHiram.....	Markdale.....	T. S. Cooper.....	A. E. Colgan.....
491	aCardinal.....	Cardinal.....	R. S. Browning.....	W. T. Kingston.....
492	aKarnak.....	Coldwater.....	A. C. Robins.....	H. Elliott.....
493	aSt. Marys.....	St. Mary's.....	W. W. McMurray.....	A. E. Parkinson.....
494	aRiverdale.....	Toronto.....	David Walton.....	J. M. Malcolm.....
495	aElectric.....	Hamilton.....	James Gough.....	Leroy Holmes.....
496	aUniversity.....	Toronto.....	G. W. Loughead.....	E. J. Walkom.....
497	aSt. Andrew's.....	Arden.....	D. D. Kirk.....	T. J. Alexander.....
498	aKing George V.....	Coboconk.....	Duncan McIntyre.....	J. G. McFarland.....
499	aPort Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	Robt. Wilson.....	A. Rome.....
500	aRose.....	Windsor.....	W. B. Strothers.....	H. M. Gard.....

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
442	2nd Thursday	4	3	2	2		2			137	141
443	2nd Monday	5	2	4	2		1	1	1	121	125
444	3rd Monday	8	8	8			1	1		98	104
445	2nd Wednesday	9	10	11	2		4			110	117
446	1st Tuesday	3	5	5	1	3	2	1	2	202	204
447	2nd Thursday	2			1			2		90	91
448	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	4			2	3		95	92
449	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	3	2	1	3	1	4	105	100
450	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	7	1			1	2	102	107
451	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	3			3		2	80	76
452	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	1	1	1			2	1		91	88
453	1st Wednesday	4	7	9	1	2	3	1	8	245	240
454	2nd Monday	4	5	4			1	1		147	149
455	2nd Tuesday	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	4	96	93
456	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	3	2	4	2		2	1		65	67
457	3rd Tuesday	5	2	5	1	1		3		139	142
458	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	5						130	134
459	2nd Tuesday	6	5	11	1		3			145	149
460	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	8	9	7	1		1			73	82
461	1st Thursday	4	3	7	1	2	3		7	140	137
462	3rd. Thursday	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	7	174	170
463	3rd Thursday	4	4	6						108	112
464	2nd Friday	5	4	4		1	4	1	1	99	99
465	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	6	4	1			1		78	85
466	1st. Friday	2	6	12	2		2			125	127
467	Mon. on or aft. F.M.	2	2	3	1					81	84
468	Fri. on or aft. F.M.	4	4	4			1	1		119	121
469	1st Monday	17	19	22	4		2	3	8	337	345
470	4th Wednesday	8	7	9	2		1		1	130	138
471	1st Wednesday	1	3	3				1		126	126
472	1st Wednesday	3	2	2			1	2	1	115	114
473	2nd Friday	11	8	9	1		16	1	2	315	310
474	3rd Tuesday	10	10	10		1		6		422	427
475	3rd Saturday	19	23	29	7	6	4	3	27	640	638
476	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	5	3	3			2	3	1	85	84
477	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	1	1		3		13		85	78
478	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	1	2		2		3	105	105
479	Mon. on or aft. F.M.	3	1	1	1	1		2	4	144	141
480	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	3	2	2				1		65	67
481	4th Thursday	12	13	10	1	2	2	1	2	340	350
482	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	3				3	4	186	181
483	Mon. on or bef. F.M.			1			2		2	75	71
484	2nd Tuesday	5	5	4	1					131	137
485	1st Thursday	7	4	2			1	3	8	184	179
486	1st Monday	8	7	7		2	5	5	7	269	259
487	2nd Monday	3	4	5	4		1		1	102	107
488	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	4	3	5	2		1		1	155	159
489	2nd Friday	7	6	6	2		2	1		170	176
490	2nd Thursday						1	1	5	69	62
491	1st Friday	1	2	1				1		88	88
492	1st Thursday	3	2	2	1		2	2		109	108
493	3rd Monday	1	2	4	1	4	3	2		147	148
494	4th Friday	8	9	10	1	1	9	3	9	414	403
495	3rd Wednesday	12	8	9	2	2	4	3	15	577	571
496	2nd Wednesday	11	11	11		1	10	2	10	447	422
497	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	4			4	2	7	104	95
498	Mon. on or bef. F.M.						1	1	3	89	84
499	2nd Monday	9	12	14	2	2	6	4	7	344	340
500	2nd Wednesday	10	11	11	2	1	4	3	8	189	187

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No of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
501	aConnaught.....	Mimico.....	J. W. Ingram.....	J. T. Lee.....
502	Coronation.....	Smithville.....	J. E. Lymburner.....	H. Hibbard.....
503	aInwood.....	Inwood.....	Geo. R. Tinney.....	W. A. Graham.....
504	Otter.....	Lombardy.....	R. R. Eaton.....	E. W. Joynt.....
505	aLynden.....	Lynden.....	N. Dnholm.....	Stuart MacDonald.....
506	aPorcupine.....	S. Porcupine.....	Thos. Fell.....	W. H. Johns.....
507	aElk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	W. J. Mills.....	H. M. Somerville.....
508	aOzias.....	Brantford.....	E. W. Lavery.....	Jas. S. Rowe.....
509	Twain City.....	Kitchener.....	J. W. Stoner.....	G. Deckleinhans.....
510	aParkdale.....	Toronto.....	W. H. Male.....	J. H. Mills.....
511	aConnaught.....	W. Fort William.....	Wm. T. Gough.....	E. C. Schoales.....
512	Malone.....	Sutton W.....	R. E. Weir.....	L. J. Silver.....
513	aCorinthian.....	Hamilton.....	Geo. A. Nash.....	J. R. Croft.....
514	aSt. Alban's.....	Toronto.....	Geo. T. Gardiner.....	Wm. Hughes.....
515	aReba.....	Brantford.....	D. Brooks.....	S. W. Seage.....
516	aEnterprise.....	Beachburg.....	Dr. E. T. Wood.....	P. C. Creeggan.....
517	aHazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....	R. H. Crow.....	J. H. Nesbit.....
518	aSioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	John Nagle.....	D. R. Rorke.....
519	aOnondaga.....	Onondaga.....	W. B. Mason.....	Geo. T. Fearman.....
520	aCoronati.....	Toronto.....	Rev. S. E. Lambert.....	J. T. Stephenson.....
521	aOntario.....	Windsor.....	B. H. Chick.....	A. R. Graham.....
522	aMount Sinai.....	Toronto.....	Benj. Luxemberg.....	C. E. Garrard.....
523	aRoyal Arthur.....	Peterborough.....	J. J. Craig.....	G. W. Haley.....
524	aMississauga.....	Port Credit.....	C. W. Robb.....	W. M. Gemmell.....
525	aTemple.....	Toronto.....	Dr. Wm. H. Butt.....	John F. Judge.....
526	aIonic.....	Westboro'.....	F. Daubney.....	P. E. Walters.....
527	aEspanola.....	Espanola.....	Dr. H. Harvie.....	J. F. Freure.....
528	aGolden Beaver.....	Timmins.....	J. E. Gurnell.....	F. Wills.....
529	aMyra.....	Kimoka.....	W. L. Woolcox.....	W. R. Bishop.....
530	aCochrane.....	Cochrane.....	W. W. Mitchell.....	A. T. King.....
531	aHigh Park.....	Toronto.....	W. R. Heyes.....	R. B. Magill.....
532	aCanada.....	Toronto.....	A. C. White.....	Edwin Schofield.....
533	aShamrock.....	Toronto.....	J. M. Burden.....	E. W. Leith.....
534	aEnglehart.....	Englehart.....	W. J. Hill.....	Chas. Neal.....
535	aPhoenix.....	Fonthill.....	John A. Barron.....	F. H. Clark.....
536	aAlgonquin.....	Copper Cliff.....	A. C. Kerr.....	W. J. Hambley.....
537	aUlster.....	Toronto.....	Robt. Boyd.....	Geo. Chambers.....
538	aEarl Kitchener.....	Port McNicoll.....	Capt. F. S. Middleton.....	Wm. Stephenson.....
539	Waterloo.....	Waterloo.....	Wilbur Gleiser.....	C. O. Hemphill.....
540	aAbitibi.....	Iroquois Falls.....	W. J. Grummett.....	A. H. Dixon.....
541	aTuscan.....	Toronto.....	S. O. Rogers.....	S. J. Jackson.....
542	aMetropolitan.....	Toronto.....	W. J. McCallum.....	E. C. Wilson.....
543	aImperial.....	Toronto.....	Richard Honeyford.....	A. Corscadden.....
544	aLincoln.....	Abingdon.....	Hy Packham.....	F. F. McKinnell.....
545	aJohn Ross Robertson.....	Toronto.....	D. W. Markham.....	W. J. S. Graham.....
546	aTalbot.....	St. Thomas.....	C. C. Trule.....	W. A. McPherson.....
547	aVictory.....	Toronto.....	J. C. Burdreo.....	H. J. Unwin.....
548	aGeneral Mercer.....	Toronto.....	Wm. Woan.....	C. H. Dearn.....
549	aIonic.....	Hamilton.....	W. G. Davidge.....	J. P. Simpson.....
550	aBuchanan.....	Hamilton.....	N. F. Mackenzie.....	A. N. Moore.....
551	aTuscan.....	Hamilton.....	C. L. Crompton.....	T. W. Appleton.....
552	aQueen City.....	Toronto.....	Wm. R. Cockburn.....	Walter Carey.....
553	aOakwood.....	Toronto.....	Wm. J. Sceviour.....	S. H. McElwain.....
554	aBorder Cities.....	Windsor.....	M. L. Totten.....	E. T. Howe.....
555	aWardrope.....	Hamilton.....	Dr. W. J. Brough.....	John Forth.....
556	aNation.....	Spencerville.....	A. W. Keillor.....	Fred Hogan.....
557	aFinch.....	Finch.....	F. C. Hooper.....	Arthur MacMillan.....
558	aSidney Albert Luke.....	Ottawa.....	Walder Bullock.....	W. E. Hayes.....

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
501	2nd Thursday.....	7	9	10	2		3	3	3	260	260
502	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3	3			3	2		132	129
503	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	5	6				2		113	115
504	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	4	4	4	1		4	1		60	59
505	2nd Wednesday.....	8	8	6	1	2	1	2		95	103
506	1st Thursday.....	7	6	6	3	1		2	3	132	138
507	2nd Friday.....	5	5	5	1		1			98	103
508	3rd Tuesday.....	12	18	20	3		1	1	2	243	254
509	2nd Tuesday.....	21	23	18	10		1	5		270	395
510	2nd Friday.....	8	7	10	4	1	5	1	2	295	300
511	3rd Monday.....	6	7	7	2	1	3		11	149	144
512	1st Wednesday.....	5	3	4	1		1			131	136
513	4th Thursday.....	16	15	16		1	9			633	641
514	3rd Monday.....	22	18	24	1		2	5	4	387	399
515	2nd Friday.....	10	9	9	2					278	290
516	1st Monday.....	5	8	9						108	113
517	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	2	2	2	2	1	1	2		65	67
518	1st Monday.....	8	14	16	1		8	2	9	166	161
519	Friday on or bef. F. M.....	3	4	3				1		75	76
520	2nd Tuesday.....	8	7	4			5	1	5	394	391
521	1st Monday.....	13	16	18	2	7	9	3	13	430	427
522	2nd Tuesday.....	17	17	18				1		433	449
523	1st Monday.....	4	4	5	3		2	1		191	195
524	2nd Thursday.....	8	7	8	4		2	4	4	168	170
525	4th Tuesday.....	8	5	9		2	7	2	22	342	321
526	2nd Wednesday.....	19	15	17	1			3	2	231	247
527	1st Wednesday.....	2	3	4	1			1	3	106	105
528	2nd Wednesday.....	7	6	5	1	4	4		12	201	193
529	3rd Saturday.....	3	3	3	2		1	2	5	58	55
530	2nd Friday.....	5	10	9			5	1	9	170	160
531	3rd Thursday.....	28	28	23	3	3	5	3	14	560	573
532	1st Friday.....	9	6	8	1	1	9	1	7	368	362
533	3rd Tuesday.....	3	4			1	4	4	17	312	291
534	2nd Monday.....	6	2	2		1	1		1	125	130
535	3rd Monday.....	4	3	4	1			3		97	99
536	3rd Tuesday.....	5	7	5			1			130	134
537	1st Monday.....	12	12	12	5	1	5	6	7	697	697
538	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	4	3	2		1	1	1	1	63	65
539	1st Wednesday.....	7	8	9	1		1		1	144	150
540	3rd Friday.....	12	13	14	1		3	3	4	126	129
541	3rd Friday.....	15	13	11	2		4	1	11	440	441
542	2nd Wednesday.....	8	7	6			5		6	191	188
543	2nd Monday.....	11	11	7		1	5	3	5	260	259
544	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1	4						80	81
545	3rd Tuesday.....	19	18	21	4		4	4	10	390	395
546	4th Thursday.....	6	8	6	1		3		2	290	292
547	4th Wednesday.....	17	17	16	1		1	1		138	155
548	2nd Friday.....	17	17	25	1	2	1	2	2	328	343
549	1st Wednesday.....	20	20	24	5		1	1	2	249	316
550	1st Thursday.....	7	10	9		1	4	2	5	270	267
551	1st Thursday.....	18	16	20	1		1	1	5	434	445
552	1st Wednesday.....	23	22	23	2		2	1	13	385	384
553	2nd Monday.....	8	10	10	1			3	3	230	233
554	1st Wednesday.....	12	11	8			4	1	4	187	190
555	4th Monday.....	20	17	14	1	4	2	2		362	383
556	1st Friday.....	4	4	5						82	86
557	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	3	2	1	1		2			97	99
558	2nd Wednesday.....	9	8	9	1			2	3	175	180

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The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
559	aPalestine...	Toronto	B. Silverberg	Nathan Blumbergh
560	aSt. Andrew's...	Ottawa	H. T. C. Humphries	J. N. Salter
561	aAcacia	Westboro	F. J. A. Old	D. A. MacEachern
562	aHamilton	Hamilton	B. J. Hart	D. R. Gibson
563	aVictory	Chatham	W. H. Arundell	W. Scurr
564	aAshlar	Ottawa	Chas. C. Duncan	Geo. Powers
565	aKilwinning	Toronto	B. C. McClelland	Malcolm Strachan
566	aKing Hiram	Toronto	W. G. Jones	C. V. Tottle
567	aSt. Aidan's	Toronto	Ward R. Taylor	W. Hamilton Cook
568	aHullett	Londesboro	K. McVittie	John Fingland
569	aDoric	Lakeside	L. Harris	F. W. Seaton
570	aDufferin	Toronto	I. H. Burns	J. H. Hodgins
571	aAntiquity	Toronto	F. G. Shelley	H. Jerriot
572	aMizpah	Toronto	V. M. Brown	W. A. Francis
573	aAdoniram	Niagara Falls	F. H. Clement	C. H. Stringer
574	aCraig	Ailsa Craig	Homer Smith	John R. Brown Sr.
575	aFidelity	Toronto	David Smith	Wm. Moull
576	aMimosa	Toronto	Samuel Gunn	G. F. Empringham
577	aSt. Clair	Toronto	Harry L. Martyn	M. L. Martyn
578	aQueen's	Kingston	Wm. N. Hyland	Jas. L. McKee
579	aHarmony	Windsor	J. B. Wilson	Fred J. Hughes
580	aAcacia	London	E. M. Scopes	John W. Bradshaw
581	aHarcourt	Toronto	G. B. Balfour	J. H. Chipman
582	aSunnyside	Toronto	E. A. Tregaskes	K. N. Carrie
583	aTransportation	Toronto	S. F. Baker	James G. Dunn
584	aKaministiquia	Fort William	A. E. Knibbs	J. H. P. Bernsley
585	aRoyal Edward	Kingston	A. G. Wright	S. A. Hitsman
586	aWar Veterans	Toronto	S. F. Hutchinson	W. A. Anderson
587	aPatricia	Toronto	J. C. Gilchrist	E. J. Reddick
588	aNational	Capreol	J. H. Hamilton	L. W. Ellis
589	aCrey	Toronto	W. I. Hearst	J. W. Tucker
590	aDefender's	Ottawa	H. Solomon	James D. Gardner
591	aNorth Gate	Toronto	John Paterson	A. W. Urmy
592	aFairbank	Toronto	J. C. Gould	J. A. Welch
593	aSt. Andrew's	Hamilton	J. F. McDonald	F. W. Davidson
594	aHillcrest	Hamilton	J. O. Irnside	G. A. Sweetman
595	aRideau	Ottawa	R. D. Whitmore	Jas. McConnell
596	aMartintown	Martintown	T. R. Craig	D. A. Ross
597	aTemple	London	W. G. Stewart	Alex. Wootton
598	aDominion	Windsor	Ira K. Arnett	J. A. Wickens
599	aMount Dennis	Weston	Thos. Jackson	F. Thain
600	aMaple Leaf	Toronto	A. B. Barker	Jas. A. Lindsay
601	aSr. Paul	Sania	Wm. H. Barrett	John T. Elliott
602	aHugh Murray	Hamilton	A. S. Neil	A. E. Hutchinson
603	aCampbell	Campbellville	John Gilmour	W. M. Vansickle
604	aPalace	Windsor	G. D. Howden	J. G. Moncrieff
605	aMelita	Toronto	A. A. Riggs	Chas. H. Lord
606	aUnity	Toronto	G. H. McKelvie	E. F. Trumperz
607	aGolden Fleece	Toronto	R. D. Thomas	Robt. Macfarlane
608	aGothic	Lindsay	R. C. Wansbrough	W. R. Alley
609	aTavistock	Tavistock	K. C. Hopkinson	G. F. Holley
610	aAshlar	Byron	G. E. Yorke	G. R. Gardner
611	aHuron-Bruce	Toronto	F. A. Flock	Dr. H. W. Hoag
612	aBirch Cliff	Birch Cliff	Robt. Cornell	J. Brown
613	aFort Erie	Fort Erie	F. E. Jackson	John Charles
614	aAdanac	Merriton	Robt. Carmichael	S. A. Moffatt
615	aDominion	Ridgeway	G. R. Stewart	J. L. Brodie
616	aPerfection	St. Catharines	B. D. Hull	P. Hlse
617	aNorth Bay	North Bay	Thos. E. M9rton	R. M. Gregor

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Restored	Resigned	Deaths	Suspend.	Members 31 Dec., 1929	Members 31 Dec., 1930
559	4th Wednesday.....	12	20	18			1	3	1	271	278
560	1st Thursday.....	15	12	13	3			3		214	228
561	4th Friday.....	5	4	5	1	2	1	5	5	146	143
562	2nd Monday.....	11	11	14		2	3	2	9	382	381
563	2nd Tuesday.....	6	6	6	1		1	2	3	293	294
564	1st Friday.....	8	7	10			3	2		186	189
565	3rd Friday.....	13	12	16	3	1	7	5	8	556	553
566	1st Friday.....	9	10	12			2	1	3	193	196
567	3rd Friday.....	4	4	4	4		3	1		92	96
568	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1	1				1		55	53
569	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	1	1	1				1		64	64
570	1st Tuesday.....	24	24	24	7	1	4	1		287	314
571	4th Wednesday.....	21	24	22		1	3	2	3	213	227
572	4th Thursday.....	16	17	15		1	2	1	1	361	374
573	3rd Monday.....	4	4	6	1		3	1	9	229	221
574	Thur. on or aft. F. M.....	2	3	3			2	1		78	77
575	4th Thursday.....	8	7	8	3		3	3	5	236	234
576	1st Monday.....	18	12	12	2		7	2		192	203
577	1st Wednesday.....	7	7	7		1	1	3	7	264	255
578	2nd Wednesday.....	21	23	16	8	1	6		6	234	252
579	1st Thursday.....	19	20	21		2	2	2	24	224	217
580	2nd Saturday.....	7	11	11			8		9	250	240
581	3rd Wednesday.....	3	4	3			1	1		72	74
582	3rd Wednesday.....	19	22	20	1		3	4	10	337	340
583	2nd Monday.....	23	21	18	10		2	3	2	309	335
584	3rd Tuesday.....	8	6	6	4			1		102	113
585	4th Friday.....	8	7	6	1			1		109	117
586	1st Friday.....	15	16	19	2		5	1	3	258	266
587	2nd Wednesday.....	11	9	10	1		2	1		214	223
588	1st Tuesday.....	9	10	4			4	1	1	121	124
589	2nd Friday.....	10	13	12	1		1	3	2	183	188
590	1st Wednesday.....	6	7	5	5		3		3	124	129
591	4th Thursday.....	8	10	9	1	1	4	2	1	225	228
592	3rd Monday.....	10	9	7			2			144	152
593	4th Wednesday.....	21	20	16	4	1	1	6	3	443	459
594	2nd Monday.....	10	13	10	3			2		199	210
595	2nd Thursday.....	13	13	12	1		3		1	150	160
596	2nd Thursday.....									32	32
597	2nd Friday.....	14	16	16	1				1	133	147
598	1st Wednesday.....	5	3	3	1		1	3	8	149	143
599	1st Wednesday.....	18	21	18			1		2	164	179
600	4th Tuesday.....	8	9	6	2	3	3	4	1	142	145
601	1st Saturday.....	4	4	5	1			1	2	169	171
602	3rd Tuesday.....	19	18	17	4		2	2	3	205	221
603	1st Tuesday.....	6	6	5						85	91
604	2nd Thursday.....	8	8	7			2	3	4	135	134
605	2nd Tuesday.....	12	12	10	3				1	154	168
606	2nd Thursday.....	7	9	9		1	5	1	3	127	126
607	3rd Thursday.....	7	6	6				1	3	114	117
608	3rd Monday.....	4	4	5			3			100	101
609	2nd Tuesday.....	3	2	6				1		59	61
610	4th Monday.....	2	3	3			3	1	3	103	98
611	3rd Monday.....	11	10	8	12		5	2	1	125	140
612	2nd Friday.....	9	9	9	3		1		3	151	159
613	3rd Tuesday.....	5	3	2	3			1	9	89	83
614	1st Thursday.....	5	4	6						89	94
615	1st Thursday.....	3	4	5	1		1	2		79	80
616	2nd Monday.....	4	5	5						89	93
617	2nd Friday.....	14	11	14	10		2	1		113	136

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	W. Master	Secretary
618	aThunder Bay.....	Port Arthur.....	A. E. Chase.....	O. R. Tanner.....
619	aRunnymede.....	Toronto.....	E. A. Stuart.....	W. M. Ham'haw.....
620	aBay of Quinte.....	Toronto.....	E. W. Grant.....	A. E. Jewett.....
621	aFrontenac.....	Sharbot Lake.....	Eugene Smith.....	C. G. Trip.....
622	aLorne.....	Chapleau.....	W. F. Mascoe.....	M. O. Wilson.....
623	aDoric.....	Kirkland Lake.....	R. A. Bilbrough.....	T. E. Bolton.....
624	aDereham.....	Mount Elgin.....	Jas. D. Flanders.....	S. E. L. Woodman.....
625	aHatherly.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	W. H. Birks.....	W. E. Hunt.....
626	aStamford.....	Stamford Centre.....	R. W. Embleton.....	R. F. Cooper.....
627	aPelee.....	Sudder.....	F. O. Nageleisen.....	Wm. Stewart.....
628	aGlenrose.....	Elmira.....	Douglas Erb.....	J. B. Jarrell.....
629	aGrenville.....	Toronto.....	W. J. Reilly.....	W. J. Streight.....
630	aPrince of Wales.....	Toronto.....	J. M. Cation.....	A. B. Rice.....
631	aManitou.....	Emo.....	Stanley I. Giles.....	E. L. Botel.....
632	aLong Branch.....	Mimico.....	J. B. Smith.....	G. A. Brandow.....
633	aHastings.....	Hastings.....	W. D. Humphries.....	C. B. Plant.....
634	aDelta.....	Toronto.....	H. C. Powell.....	T. W. Olley.....
635	aWellington.....	Toronto.....	D. G. McGregor.....	T. C. Haslam.....
636	aHornepayne.....	Hornepayne.....	R. H. Smith.....	H. E. Foster.....
637	aCaledonia.....	Toronto.....	Robt. Simpson.....	John Ferguson.....
638	aBedford.....	Toronto.....	Geo. C. Wright.....	C. H. R. Devey.....
639	aBeach.....	Burlington Beach.....	F. C. Willis.....	R. D. Berry.....
640	aAnthony Sayer.....	Mimico.....	Thos' Lowes.....	E. J. Hutchins.....
641	aGarden.....	Windsor.....	C. M. Regnett.....	John Briggs.....
642	aSt. Andrew's.....	Windsor.....	Geo. E. Searle.....	J. W. Adams.....
643	aCathedral.....	Toronto.....	C. W. Magee.....	C. E. Anderson.....
644	aSimcoe.....	Toronto.....	D. E. F. Gauley.....	W. G. Mackay.....
645	aLake Shore.....	Mimico.....	G. W. Q. Gauld.....	E. H. Glenn.....
646	aRowland.....	Mount Albert.....	A. C. Ashforth.....	W. S. Robertson.....
647	aTodmorden.....	Todmorden.....	R. C. Eggsford.....	J. E. Jackson.....
648	aSpruce Falls.....	Kapuskasing.....	T. H. Scott.....	M. A. McEarchern.....
649	aTemple.....	Oshawa.....	C. F. Cannon.....	W. O. Wilson.....
650	aFidelity.....	Toledo.....	T. E. Lockwood.....	R. R. Eaton.....
651	aDentonla.....	Toronto.....	H. A. Miller.....	E. S. Calder.....
652	aMemorial.....	Toronto.....	H. J. Alexander.....	S. J. Boyde.....
653	aScarboro.....	Agincourt.....	Geo. Scott.....	L. A. Kennedy.....
654	aAncient Landmarks.....	Hamilton.....	H. W. Tremple.....	James McKay.....

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618	1st Thursday.....	7	9	10	2		5			111	115
619	4th Wednesday.....	4	4	2	4		1	3	1	177	180
620	3rd Friday.....	10	10	11	4		5		2	206	213
621	Friday on or bef. F.M.....	4	6	5	1					52	57
622	1st Thursday.....	4	4	5	1		1	1	1	88	90
623	1st Thursday.....	15	14	10			15	2		168	164
624	1st Tuesday.....	4	4	5	1	1	2	1	3	72	72
625	3rd Friday.....	2	3	5						56	57
626	1st Wednesday.....	6	6	10	3					90	99
627	Tuesday on or bef. F.M.....	5	4	4						62	67
628	2nd Tuesday.....	2	2	2						46	48
629	4th Saturday.....	13	16	14	3		1	3		176	188
630	4th Friday.....	10	10	10	4		1	1		130	137
631	3rd Thursday.....	3	3	5	1	3	2	1	5	69	68
632	3rd Tuesday.....	6	6	3						90	96
633	Friday on or bef. F.M.....	6	4	3			3	1		69	71
634	2nd Tuesday.....	11	14	14	5			1		165	180
635	1st Friday.....	10	12	12	4	1	7		3	167	172
636	2nd Wednesday.....	6	10	8			2	1		84	87
637	3rd Monday.....	28	30	32	12		3	1	3	284	317
638	3rd Tuesday.....	15	13	15	2			3	2	155	167
639	2nd Tuesday.....	9	8	9	1	1	1		2	87	95
640	3rd Friday.....	3	3	3	2		1			41	45
641	1st Friday.....	11	9	8					9	70	72
642	2nd Friday.....	8	8	7	4		2	1		95	104
643	1st Tuesday.....	7	6	5	5		1		2	85	94
644	1st Monday.....	5	5	7	9		1		2	148	159
645	1st Monday.....	6	5	9	5		1			89	99
646	2nd Friday.....	6	4	4				1		44	49
647	1st Monday.....	23	23	28	1	1	5			118	138
648	2nd Monday.....	13	15	12	7		8	3	2	75	82
649	3rd Tuesday.....	21	21	20	5			1	1	83	107
650	Monday on or bef. F.M.....	10	8	5	45		1	1			53
651	1st Thursday.....	29	24	20	54						83
652	1st Wednesday.....	25	17	15	180		5	1			199
653	4th Monday.....	3	5	4			4	1		69	67
654	4th Friday.....										
		3996	4134	4156	1039	310	1068	1285	1905	115981	11699 8

P.O. ADDRESSES OF SECRETARIES

Special addresses of Secretaries of Lodges in the Cities and in other places where the secretary's address is not the same as that of the Lodge.

No.	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
3.	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	A. W. Cathcart, 570 Johnson St.
5.	Sussex	Brockville	Thos. H. Guest, 374 King St. W.
6.	Barton	Hamilton	W. H. F. Wheately, 1107 Main St. E.
11.	Moira	Belleville	Geo. Dulmage, 36 Hillside St.
15.	St. George's	St. Catharines	A. N. Lindsay, 152 St. Paul St.
16.	St. Andrew's	Toronto	Wm. Lawrence, 202 Westminster Av
20.	St. John's	London	Rich. Booth, 230 Wellington St.
22.	King Solomon's	Toronto	P. H. Walker, 320 Beresford Ave.
25.	Ionic	Toronto	J. C. Lockhart, 11 King St. West
27.	Strict Observance	Hamilton	H. W. Linton, 62 Barnesdale Av. S
39.	Mount Zion	Brooklin	Thos. R. Price, Myrtle Station
40.	St. John's	Hamilton	C. F. Marshall, 43 Fairleigh Ave. S
42.	St. George's	London	Thos. Dickson, 243 Victoria St.
43.	King Solomon's	Woodstock	A. W. Massie, 717 Rathbourne Av.
44.	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	F. W. Judd, 379 Talbot St.
45.	Brant	Brantford	Geo. Whitwill, 149 Sheridan St.
46.	Wellington	Chatham	W. J. McColl, 24 Stanley St.
47.	Great Western	Windsor	W. T. Turner, 1653 Victoria Ave.
52.	Dalhousie	Ottawa	H. W. Jackson, 525 Somerset St. W.
56.	Victoria	Sarnia	H. W. Unsworth, 219 Mithon St. N.
57.	Harmony	Binbrook	Jas. D. Rose, Blackheath
58.	Doric	Ottawa	J. A. Ross, 480 Cooper St.
61.	Acacia	Hamilton	C. E. Kelly, 73 Melrose Ave.
64.	Kilwinning	London	W. Lancaster, 15 Stanley St.
65.	Rehoboam	Toronto	Geo. H. Mitchell, Treasury Dept., City Hall
72.	Alma	Galt	A. J. Oliver, 45 James St.
74.	St. James	S. Augusta	H. H. Throop, R.R. No. 2, Brock- ville.
75.	St. John's	Toronto	B. E. Garrett, 82 Petman Ave.
76.	Oxford	Woodstock	E. E. Dougall, 122 Wilson St.
77.	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	C. L. Davidson, 102 Kent St. W.
86.	Wilson	Toronto	W. L. Lawer, 38 Ernescliffe Apts.
88.	St. George's	Owen Sound	J. M. Campbell, 1166 Second Av. W
92.	Cataragui	Kingston	W. H. Dalby, 72 Nelson St.
97.	Sharon	Queensville	W. B. Fairharn, R.R. No. 2
101.	Corinthian	Peterborough	R. F. Downey, 298 Boswell Ave.
103.	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	A. E. Coombs, 197 Church St.
105.	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	Fred Trelford, 2647 Glenholm Av.
107.	St. Paul's	Lambeth	R. A. McDougall, R.R. No. 1, Glanworth
121.	Doric	Brantford	J. P. Temple, 42 Nelson St.
123.	Belleville	Belleville	J. McCarthy, 59 Everett St.
128.	Pembroke	Pembroke	C. W. Fraser, 423 McKay St.
139.	Lebanon	Oshawa	W. A. Hare, 8 Bond St. E
144.	Tecumseh	Stratford	S. W. Rust, 203 Douglas St.
146.	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	D. Sexsmith, R.R. No. Wilton
148.	Civil Service	Ottawa	H. W. Lothrop, 331 James St.
151.	Grand River	Kitchener	P. Fisher, 11 Elgin St.
153.	Burns	Wyoming	Alex. McManus, R.R. No. 1
155.	Peterborough	Peterborough	Jno. Comstock, 300 George St.
156.	York	Toronto	W. E. Hoffand, 5 Elginton Ave. E
168.	Merritt	Welland	L. R. Brennan, 30 Oakland Ave.
171.	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	J. C. Dundas, Iona Sta.
177.	The Builders	Ottawa	J. J. McGill, 189 Holmwood Ave
178.	Plattsville	Plattsville	J. Bristow, Bright
180.	Speed	Guelph	B. Whetstone, 90 Yorkshire St.
185.	Enniskillen	York	E. S. Bradt, R.R. No. 5, Cayuga
195.	Tuscan	London	B. H. Higgins, 496 Dundas St.
209a.	St. John's	London	Edwin Smith, 582 Dufferin Ave.
218.	Stevenson	Toronto	H. C. H. Corneil, 328 Seaton St.
230.	Kerr	Barrie	R. J. Sprott, Box 626
231.	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	R. Shaw, 295 Gilmour St.
234.	Beaver	Clarksburg	Thos. G. Idle, Thornbury
247.	Ashlar	Toronto	W. H. Lyon, 9 Richmond St. E.
253.	Minden	Kingston	R. S. Graham, 236 Albert St.
254.	Clifton	Niagara Falls	J. C. Lymburner, 1129 McRae St.

No.	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
257.	Galt	Galt	E. F. Hetherington, 50 Cedar St.
258.	Guelph	Guelph	F. F. Sweetman, 394 Woolwich St.
259.	Springfield	Springfield	S. Simpson, R.R. No. 1, Aylmer
264.	Chaudiere	Ottawa	Henry Gates, 119 McKay St.
267.	Parthenon	Chatham	J. G. Martin, 24 Landswone Ave
270.	Cedar	Oshawa	M. L. Argall, 495 Simcoe St. N.
272.	Seymour	Ancaster	E. McMullen, R.R. 1, Hamilton
287.	Shuniah	Port Arthur	A. P. Freed, 329 Van Norman St.
289.	Doric	Lobo	D. H. Sells, Hyde Park
292.	Robertson	King	F. E. Boys, R.R. No. 2
296.	Temple	St. Catharines	C. A. Brown, 152 St. Paul St.
299.	Victoria	Centreville	H. A. Carscallen, Enterprise
302.	St. David's	St. Thomas	W. H. Stapleton, 12 Drake St.
309.	Morning Star	Carlow	R. D. Munro, Auburn
316.	Doric	Toronto	Louis Anderton, 19 Hampton Av
324.	Temple	Hamilton	H. I. Sparks, 18 Garfield Ave. S
326.	Zetland	Toronto	F. G. Logan, 111 Kendall Ave.
328.	Ionic	Napier	W. T. Buchanan, R.R. No. 2, Kerwood.
330.	Corinthian	London	H. J. Childs, 293 Dundas St.
332.	Stratford	Stratford	E. Denroche, 15 Church St.
336.	Highgate	Highgate	J. R. MacPherson, Duart
338.	Dufferin	Wellandport	F. E. Coyne, Perry Sta.
339.	Orient	Toronto	H. D. Ashley, 207 Belsize Drive
343.	Georgian	Toronto	G. Thompson, 419 Brunswick Av.
345.	Nilestown	Nilestown	J. F. Johnson, R.R. No. 8, London
346.	Occident	Toronto	W. M. Williams, 44 Balntyre Av.
357.	Waterdown	Millgrove	J. R. Nichol, R.R. No. 4, Dundas
361.	Waverly	Guelph	H. W. Hinman, 19 Liverpool St.
364.	Dufferin	Melbourne	G. J. Stevenson, R.R. No. 4, Appin
367.	St. George	Toronto	A. B. Hutchcroft, 9 Clendenan Av
369.	Mimico	Lambton Mills	W. A. Beecroft, 31 Palisades
371.	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	H. J. Sykes, 364 Wellington St.
373.	Copestone	Welland	A. Tattersall, 30 Franklin St.
378.	King Solomon's	London	W. Nicholls, 175 Wharmcliffe Rd. N.
379.	Middlesex	Bryanston	H. E. Ralph, R.R. No. 1, Ettrick
380.	Union	London	J. Ward, 97 Tecumseh Av
382.	Doric	Hamilton	Dr. C. V. Emory, 91 Barnesdale Bly
384.	Alpha	Toronto	Wm. Moull, 11 Lindsay Ave.
388.	Henderson	Ilderton	W. F. Walls, R.R. 4, Denfield
410.	Zeta	Toronto	S. J. Boyd, 1542 Dufferin St.
412.	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	E. M. Shaw, 124 Brock St.
415.	Fort William	Fort William	C. E. Coombes, 1122 Ridgeway St
419.	Liberty	Sarnia	W. J. Alcock, 189 Euphemia St.
425.	St. Clair	Sombra	C. H. Balsdon, Port Lambton
426.	Stanley	Toronto	Wm. Harris, 190 Osler Ave.
430.	Acacia	Toronto	E. Pickles, 101 Gledhill Ave.
434.	Algonquin	Emsdale	Jas. Metcalfe, Katrine Sta.
437.	Tuscan	Sarnia	W. J. Barrie, 170 N. Christina St.
438.	Harmony	Toronto	T. Robertson, 2236 Bloor St. W.
453.	Royal	Fort William	R. Daggar, 208 N. Norah St.
469.	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	J. Dudley, 46 The Drive
473.	The Beaches	Toronto	S. J. Manchester, 70 Edgewood Av.
474.	Victoria	Toronto	D. L. McPherson, 11 Abbott Ave.
475.	Dundurn	Hamilton	G. Milne, 85 Lottridge St.
481.	Corinthian	Toronto	G. M. Britton, 58 Gilmour Ave.
494.	Riverdale	Toronto	J. M. Malcolm, 742 Logan Ave.
495.	Electric	Hamilton	L. Holmes, 48 Cumberland Av.
496.	University	Toronto	E. J. Walkom, 13 Inglewood Dr.
499.	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	A. Rome, 105 Prospect Av.
500.	Rose	Windsor	H. M. Gard, 336 Indian Rd. Sandwich
508.	Ozias	Brantford	J. S. Rowe, Dufferin Apt.
509.	Twin City	Kitchener	G. DeKleinhaus, 561 Queen St. S.
510.	Parkdale	Toronto	J. H. Mills, 97 Tyndal Ave.
511.	Connaught	Fort William	E. C. Schoales, Canada Foundries
513.	Corinthian	Hamilton	J. R. Croft, 104 Burris St.
514.	St. Albans	Toronto	W. Hughes, 23 Silver Ave.
515.	Reba	Brantford	S. W. Seago, 182 Brant Ave.
517.	Hazeldean	Hazeldean	J. H. Nesbit, R.R. 2, Stittsville
520.	Coronati	Toronto	J. T. Stephenson, 105 Gates Av.
521.	Ontario	Windsor	A. R. Graham, 133 Partington Av.
522.	Mt. Sinai	Toronto	C. E. Garrard, 171 Yonge St.

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523.	Royal Arthur	Peterborough	C. W. Haley, 85 Benson Ave
525.	Temple	Toronto	J. F. Judge, 176 Marion St.
526.	Ionic	Westboro	P. E. Watters 139 Bayswater Av.
528.	Golden Beaver	Timmins	F. Wills, Schumacher
531.	High Park	Toronto	R. B. Magill, 1784 Bloor St. W.
532.	Canada	Toronto	E. Schofield, 70 Arundel Av
533.	Shamrock	Toronto	E. W. Leith, 628 Indian Rd.
535.	Phoenix	Fonthill	F. H. Clark, R.R. No. 2, Welland
537.	Ulster	Toronto	G. Chambers, 211 Browning Av.
539.	Waterloo	Waterloo	C. O. Hemphill, 46 Park Av.
541.	Tuscan	Toronto	S. J. Jackson, 897 Bloor St. W.
542.	Metropolitan	Toronto	E. C. Wilson, 80 Alexander Blvd.
543.	Imperial	Toronto	A. G. Corscadden, 51 Highcroft Rd
544.	Lincoln	Abingdon	F. F. McKinnell, R.R. No. 1, Caiston Centre
545.	John Ross Robertson	Toronto	W. J. S. Graham, 16 Herbert Av.
546.	Talbot	St. Thomas	W. A. McPherson, 38 Metcalfe St
547.	Victory	Toronto	H. J. Unwin, 58 Wellington St. E.
548.	General Mercer	Toronto	C. H. Dearden, 412 Beresford Av.
549.	Ionic	Hamilton	J. P. Simpson, 21 Belview Av.
550.	Buchanan	Hamilton	A. M. Moore, 31 Genesee St.
551.	Tuscan	Hamilton	T. W. Appleton, 396 Main St. E.
552.	Queen City	Toronto	Walter Carey, 2052 Gerrard St. E.
553.	Oakwood	Toronto	S. H. McElwain, 90 Cloverlawn Av
554.	Border Cities	Windsor	E. T. Howe, 829 London St. W
555.	Wardrobe	Hamilton	J. Forth, 210 Charlton Av. W
558.	Sidney Albert Luke	Ottawa	W. E. Hayes, 329 James St.
559.	Palestine	Toronto	Nathan Blumberg, 58 Winnett Av
560.	St. Andrew's	Ottawa	J. N. Salter, 8 Westmount Av
562.	Hamilton	Hamilton	D. R. Gibson, 87 Sanford Av. S
563.	Victory	Chatham	W. Scurr, 41 Grand Av. E
564.	Ashlar	Ottawa	G. Powers, 16 Rideau Terrace
565.	Kilwinning	Toronto	M. Strachan, 85 Mavety St.
566.	King Hiram	Toronto	C. V. Tottle, 2362a Bloor St. W
567.	St. Aidans	Toronto	W. H. Cook, 18 Toronto St.
570.	Dufferin	Toronto	J. A. Hodgins, 95 Clinton St.
571.	Antiquity	Toronto	H. Jerriot, 8 Glen Avon Rd
572.	Mizpah	Toronto	W. A. Francis 290 Margueretta St
573.	Adoniram	Niagara Falls	C. H. Stringer, 1259 Heywood Av
575.	Fidelity	Toronto	W. Moull, 11 Lindsay Av
576.	Mimosa	Toronto	G. F. Empringham, 111 Dixon Av
577.	St. Clair	Toronto	M. L. Martyn, 57 Queen St. W
578.	Queens	Kingston	J. L. McKee, 256 King St. East
579.	Harmony	Windsor	F. J. Hughes, 454 Church St.
580.	Acacia	London	J. W. Bradshaw, 707 Waterloo St.
581.	Harcourt	Toronto	J. H. Chipman, Dominion Bank Bldg
582.	Sunnyside	Toronto	K. N. Carrie, 58 Roncesvalles Av
583.	Transportation	Toronto	J. G. Dunn, 340 St. Clarens Av
584.	Kaministiquia	Fort William	J. H. P. Barnsley, 217 S. Norah St
585.	Royal Edward	Kingston	S. A. Hetsman, 637 Johnson St.
586.	War Veterans	Toronto	W. A. Anderson, 160 Melrose Ave
587.	Patricia	Toronto	E. J. Reddick, 29 Abbot Av
589.	Grey	Toronto	J. W. Tucker, 33 Regal Rd
590.	Defenders	Ottawa	J. D. Gardner, 225 Gilmour St.
591.	North Gate	Toronto	A. W. Urmy, 48 Millwood Rd
592.	Fairbank	Fairbank	J. A. Welch, 275 Boon Av. Toronto
593.	St. Andrew's	Hamilton	F. W. Davidson, 52 Barnesdale Av
594.	Hillcrest	Hamilton	G. A. Sweatman, 40 Alpine Av
595.	Rideau	Ottawa	J. McConnell, 216 Driveway
597.	Temple	London	A. Wootton, 714 Maitland St
598.	Dominion	Windsor	J. A. Wickens, 538 Dougall Av
599.	Mount Dennis	Mount Dennis	F. Thain, 12 Craydon Ave. Mount Dennis
600.	Maple Leaf	Toronto	J. A. Lindsay, 37 Lindsay Av
601.	St. Paul's	Sarnia	J. T. Elliott, 110 Crawford St.
602.	Hugh Murray	Hamilton	A. E. Hutchinson, 15 Strathcona Av
604.	Palace	Windsor	J. G. Moncrieff, Heintzman, Bldg.
605.	Melita	Toronto	C. H. Lord, 500 Millwood Rd.
606.	Unity	Toronto	E. F. Trumper, 696 Indian Rd
607.	Golden Fleece	Toronto	R. Macfarlane, 58 Highfield Rd
608.	Cothic	Lindsay	W. R. Alley, Town Hall
610.	Ashlar	Byron	G. R. Gardner, 212 Epworth Av., London

No.	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
611.	Huron-Bruce	Toronto	H. W. Hoag, 240 Danforth Av
612.	Birch Cliff	Birch Cliff	J. Brown, 13 Avalon Blvd.
616.	Perfection	St. Catharines	P. Hulse, 176 St. Paul St.
617.	North Bay	North Bay	R. M. Gregor, 31 Ferguson St.
618.	Thunder Bay	Port Arthur	O. R. Tanner, 404 Whalen Bldg.
619.	Runnymede	Toronto	W. McK. Hamshaw, 76 Glendale Av
620.	Bay of Quinte	Toronto	A. E. Jewett, 466 Gladstone Av
625.	Hatherly	Sault Ste. Marie	W. E. Hunt, 799 Queen St. E
629.	Grenville	Toronto	W. J. Streight, 44 Fairview Blvd.
630.	Prince of Wales	Toronto	A. B. Rice, 354 Clendinan Av
632.	Long Branch	Mimico	G. A. Brandon, 12 Sixth St., New Toronto
634.	Delta	Toronto	T. W. Alley, 362 Berkeley St.
635.	Wellington	Toronto	T. G. Haslam, 14 Oakdene Av
637.	Caledonia	Toronto	J. Ferguson, 11 Azial St.
638.	Bedford	Toronto	C. H. R. Devey, 67 Yonge St. Bvd
639.	Beach	Hamilton Beach	R. D. Berry, Box 681, Burlington
640.	Anthony Sayer	Mimico	E. J. Hutchins, 69 Eastbourne Cres
641.	Garden	Windsor	J. Briggs, 1463 Marentette Av
642.	St. Andrews	Windsor	J. W. Adams, 813 Dougal Av
643.	Cathedral	Toronto	C. E. Anderson, 122 Roselawn Av
644.	Simcoe	Toronto	W. G. Mackay, 933 Dufferin St.
645.	Lake Shore	Mimico	E. H. Glenn, 17 Eastbourne Ave., Toronto
647.	Todmorden	Todmorden	J. E. Jackson, 468 Sammon Ave., Toronto
649.	Temple	Oshawa	W. O. Wilson, 73 Young St
651.	Dentonia	Toronto	E. S. Calder, 20 Wolverley Bvd
652.	Memorial	Toronto	S. J. Boyde, 1542 Dufferin St.
654.	Ancient Landmarks	Hamilton	Jas. MacKay, 153 Kensington Ave S

LIST OF LODGES---BY DISTRICTS

ALGOMA DISTRICT—(7 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Geo. Blanchard, Port Arthur

No. 287—Shuniah.....Port Arthur	No. 511—ConnaughtW. Fort William
No. 415—Fort William...Fort William	No. 584—Kaministiquia Fort William
No. 453—Royal.....Fort William	No. 618—Thunder Bay Port Arthur
No. 499—Port Arthur.....Port Arthur	

BRANT DISTRICT—(14 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jas. F. C. Polley, Harley

No. 35—St. Johns.....Cayuga	No. 243—St. George.....St. George
No. 45—Brant.....Brantford	No. 319—Hiram.....Hagersville
No. 82—St. Johns.....Paris	No. 329—King Solomon.....Jarvis
No. 106—Burford.....Burford	No. 505—Lynden.....Lynden
No. 113—Wilson.....Waterford	No. 508—Ozias.....Brantford
No. 121—Doric.....Brantford	No. 515—Reba.....Brantford
No. 193—Scotland.....Scotland	No. 519—Onondaga.....Onondaga

BRUCE DISTRICT—(12 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. John H. Fawcett, Harriston

No. 131—St. Lawrence.....Southampton	No. 393—Forest.....Chesley
No. 197—Saugeen.....Walkerton	No. 396—Cedar.....Warton
No. 235—Aldworth.....Paisley	No. 429—Port Elgin.....Port Elgin
No. 262—Harriston.....Harriston	No. 431—Moravian.....Cargill
No. 315—Clifford.....Clifford	No. 432—Hanover.....Hanover
No. 362—Maple Leaf.....Tara	No. 436—Burns.....Hepworth

CHATHAM DISTRICT—(14 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Daniel F. Johnson, Wallaceburg

No. 46—Wellington.....Chatham	No. 327—Hammond.....Wardsville
No. 245—Tecumseh.....Thamesville	No. 336—Highgate.....Highgate
No. 255—Sydenham.....Dresden	No. 390—Florence.....Florence
No. 267—Parthenon.....Chatham	No. 391—Howard.....Ridgetown
No. 274—Kent.....Blenheim	No. 422—Star of the East.....Bothwell
No. 282—Lorne.....Glencoe	No. 457—Century.....Merlin
No. 312—Pnyx.....Wallaceburg	No. 563—Victory.....Chatham

EASTERN DISTRICT—(18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Herman Hamilton, Iroquois

No. 21a—St. Johns.....Vankleek Hill	No. 418—Maxville.....Maxville
No. 125—Cornwall.....Cornwall	No. 439—Alexandria.....Alexandria
No. 142—Excelsior.....Morrisburg	No. 450—Hawkesbury.....Hawkesbury
No. 143—Friendly Brothers...Iroquois	No. 452—Avonmore.....Avonmore
No. 186—Plantagenet.....Riceville	No. 458—Wales.....Wales
No. 207—Lancaster.....Lancaster	No. 480—Williamsburg.....Williamsburg
No. 256—Farran's Point.....Aultsville	No. 491—Cardinal.....Cardinal
No. 320—Chesterville.....Chesterville	No. 557—Finch.....Finch
No. 383—Henderson.....Winchester	No. 596—Martintown.....Martintown

FRONTENAC DISTRICT—(18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. John A. Pringle, Arden

No. 3—Ancient St. Johns..Kingston	No. 253—Minden.....Kingston
No. 9—Union.....Napanee	No. 299—Victoria.....Centreville
No. 92—Cataragui.....Kingston	No. 404—Lorne.....Tamworth
No. 109—Albion.....Harrowsmith	No. 441—Westport.....Westport
No. 119—Maple Leaf.....Bath	No. 460—Rideau.....Seeley's Bay
No. 146—Prince of Wales...Newburgh	No. 497—St. Andrew's.....Arden
No. 157—Simpson.....Newboro	No. 578—Queen's.....Kingston
No. 201—Leeds.....Gananoque	No. 585—Royal Edward.....Kingston
No. 228—Prince Arthur.....Odessa	No. 621—Frontenac.....Sharbot Lake

GEORGIAN DISTRICT—(19 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jas. J. McKnight, Tottenham**

No. 90—Manito.....Collingwood	No. 304—Minerva.....Stroud
No. 96—Corinthian.....Barrie	No. 348—Georgian.....Penetanguishene
No. 137—Pythagoras.....Meaford	No. 385—Spry.....Beeton
No. 192—Orillia.....Orillia	No. 444—Nitetis.....Creemore
No. 230—Kerr.....Barrie	No. 466—Coronation.....Elmvale
No. 234—Beaver.....Clarksburg	No. 467—Tottenham.....Tottenham
No. 236—Manitoba.....Cookstown	No. 470—Victoria ...Victoria Harbour
No. 249—Caledonian.....Midland	No. 492—Karnak.....Coldwater
No. 266—Northern Light.....Stayner	No. 538—Earl Kitchener.Pt.McNicol
No. 285—Seven Star.....Alliston	

GREY DISTRICT—(12 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jack Aiken, Orangeville**

No. 88—St. George's.....Owen Sound	No. 333—Prince Arthur.....Flesherton
No. 200—St. Alban's.....Mount Forest	No. 334—Prince Arthur.....Arthur
No. 216—Harris.....Orangeville	No. 377—Lorne.....Shelburne
No. 271—Wellington.....Erin	No. 421—Scott.....Grand Valley
No. 306—Durham.....Durham	No. 449—Dundalk.....Dundalk
No. 322—North Star.....Owen Sound	No. 490—Hiram.....Markdale

HAMILTON DISTRICT A—(16 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Alfred Oram, Hamilton**

No. 6—Barton.....Hamilton	No. 357—Waterdown.....Millgrove
No. 40—St. Johns.....Hamilton	No. 400—Oakville.....Oakville
No. 100—Valley.....Dundas	No. 475—Dundurn.....Hamilton
No. 135—St. Clair.....Milton	No. 513—Corinthian.....Hamilton
No. 165—Burlington.....Burlington	No. 551—Tuscan.....Hamilton
No. 272—Seymour.....Ancaster	No. 562—Hamilton.....Hamilton
No. 291—Dufferin.....W. Flamboro	No. 602—Hugh Murray.....Hamilton
No. 324—Temple.....Hamilton	No. 603—Campbell.....Campbellville

HAMILTON DISTRICT B—(17 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jas. A. Henderson, Hamilton**

No. 7—Union.....Grimsby	No. 495—Electric.....Hamilton
No. 27—Strict Observance Hamilton	No. 544—Lincoln.....Abingdon
No. 57—Harmony.....Binbrook	No. 549—Ionic.....Hamilton
No. 61—Acacia.....Hamilton	No. 550—Buchanan.....Hamilton
No. 62—St. Andrews.....Caledonia	No. 555—Wardrobe.....Hamilton
No. 166—Wentworth.....Stoney Creek	No. 593—St. Andrews.....Hamilton
No. 185—Enniskillen.....York	No. 594—Hillcrest.....Hamilton
No. 382—Doric.....Hamilton	No. 639—Beach.....Burlington Beach
	No. 654—Ancient Landmarks.....Hamilton
	.....Hamilton

LONDON DISTRICT—(23 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jas. A. Morris, Dorchester**

No. 20—St. Johns'.....London	No. 358—Delaware Valley ..Delaware
No. 42—St. George's.....London	No. 378—King Solomon's.....London
No. 64—Kilwinning.....London	No. 379—Middlesex.....Bryanston
No. 107—St. Paul's.....Lambeth	No. 380—Union.....London
No. 190—Belmont.....Belmont	No. 388—Henderson.....Ilderton
No. 195—Tuscan.....London	No. 394—King Solomon's.....Thamesford
No. 209a—St. John's.....London	No. 399—Moffat.....Harrietsville
No. 289—Doric.....Lobo	No. 529—Myra.....Komoka
No. 300—Mount Olivet.....Thorndale	No. 580—Acacia.....London
No. 330—Corinthian.....London	No. 597—Temple.....London
No. 344—Merrill.....Dorchester Sta.	No. 610—Ashlar.....Byron
No. 345—Nilestown.....Nilestown	

MUSKOKA DISTRICT—(8 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. W. Roy Dixon, Sprucedale**

No. 352—Granite.....Parry Sound	No. 423—Strong.....Sundridge
No. 360—Muskoka.....Bracebridge	No. 434—Algonquin.....Elsmdale
No. 376—Unity.....Huntsville	No. 443—Powassan.....Powassan
No. 409—Golden Rule.....Gravenhurst	No. 454—Corona.....Burk's Falls

NIAGARA A DISTRICT—(12 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Jas. N. Allan, Dunnville**

No. 2—Niagara.....Niagara	No. 277—Seymour.....Port Dalhousie
No. 15—St. George's St. Catharines	No. 296—Temple.....St. Catharines
No. 32—Amity.....Dunnville	No. 338—Dufferin.....Wellandport
No. 103—Maple Leaf St. Catharines	No. 502—Coronation.....Smithville
No. 115—Ivy.....Beamsville	No. 614—Adanac.....Merritton
No. 221—Mountain.....Thorold	No. 616—Perfection.....St. Catharines

NIAGARA B DISTRICT (13 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Fred Trelford, Niagara Falls**

No. 105—St. Marks.....Niagara Falls	No. 471—King Edward VII Chippawa
No. 168—Merritt .....Welland	No. 535—Phoenix .....Fonthill
No. 169—Macnab .....Port Colborne	No. 573—Adoniram.....Niagara Falls
No. 254—Clifton.....Niagara Falls	No. 613—Fort Erie.....Fort Erie
No. 337—Myrtle.....Port Robinson	No. 615—Dominion .....Ridgeway
No. 372—Palmer.....Bridgeburg	No. 626—Stamford.....South End..
No. 373—Copestone.....Welland	

NIPISSING DISTRICT—(17 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Benj. F. Nott, North Bay**

No. 405—Mattawa.....Mattawa	No. 472—Gore Bay.....Gore Bay
No. 412—Keystone Sault Ste. Marie	No. 487—Penewobikong..Blind River
No. 420—Nipissing.....North Bay	No. 527—Espanola.....Espanola
No. 427—Nickel.....Sudbury	No. 536—Algonquin.....Copper Cliff
No. 442—Dymont.....Thessalon	No. 588—National.....Capreol
No. 447—Sturgeon Fa. Sturgeon Falls	No. 617—North Bay.....North Bay
No. 455—Doric.....Little Current	No. 622—Lorne.....Chapleau
No. 469—Algoma.....Sault Ste. Marie	No. 625—Hatherly Sault Ste. Marie
	No. 636—Hornepayne ..Hornepayne

NORTH HURON DISTRICT—(12 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Geo. T. Aitchison, Lucknow**

No. 93—Northern Light. Kincardine	No. 286—Wingham.....Wingham
No. 162—Forest.....Wroxeter	No. 303—Blyth.....Blyth
No. 184—Old Light.....Lucknow	No. 314—Blair.....Palmerston
No. 225—Bernard.....Listowel	No. 331—Fordwich.....Fordwich
No. 276—Teeswater.....Teeswater	No. 341—Bruce.....Tiverton
No. 284—St. Johns.....Brussels	No. 568—Hullett.....Londesboro

ONTARIO DISTRICT—(13 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Edwin E. Farrow, Oshawa**

No. 17—St. John's.....Cobourg	No. 91—Colborne.....Colborne
No. 26—Ontario.....Port Hope	No. 114—Hope.....Port Hope
No. 30—Composite.....Whitby	No. 139—Lebanon.....Oshawa
No. 31—Jerusalem.....Bowmanville	No. 270—Cedar.....Oshawa
No. 39—Mount Zion.....Brooklin	No. 325—Orono.....Orono
No. 66—Durham.....Newcastle	No. 428—Fidelity.....Port Perry
	No. 649—Temple.....Oshawa

OTTAWA DISTRICT—(27 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. J. Howard Carkner, Ottawa**

No. 52—Dalhousie.....Ottawa	No. 459—Cobden.....Cobden
No. 58—Doric.....Ottawa	No. 465—Carleton.....Carp
No. 63—St. John's.....Carleton Place	No. 476—Corinthian.....North Gower
No. 122—Renfrew.....Renfrew	No. 479—Russell.....Russell
No. 128—Pembroke.....Pembroke	No. 516—Enterprise.....Beachburg
No. 147—Mississippi.....Almonte	No. 517—Hazeldean.....Hazeldean
No. 148—Civil Service.....Ottawa	No. 526—Ionic.....Westboro
No. 159—Goodwood.....Richmond	No. 538—Sidney Albert Luke Ottawa
No. 177—The Builders.....Ottawa	No. 560—St. Andrew's.....Ottawa
No. 196—Madawaska.....Arnprior	No. 561—Acacia.....Westboro
No. 231—Lodge of Fidelity.....Ottawa	No. 564—Ashlar.....Ottawa
No. 264—Chaudiere.....Ottawa	No. 590—Defenders.....Ottawa
No. 371—Prince of Wales.....Ottawa	No. 595—Rideau.....Ottawa
No. 433—Bonnehochere.....Eganville	

PETERBOROUGH DISTRICT—(11 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Robert Jas. McCamus, Keene**

No. 101—Corinthian.....	Peterborough	No. 223—Norwood.....	Norwood
No. 126—Golden Rule.....	Campbellford	No. 313—Clementi.....	Lakefield
No. 145—J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook	No. 374—Keene.....	Keene
No. 155—Peterborough.....	Peterborough	No. 435—Havelock.....	Havelock
No. 161—Percy.....	Warkworth	No. 523—Royal Arthur Peterborough	Peterborough
		No. 633—Hastings.....	Hastings

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT—(16 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. John Maidens, Belleville**

No. 11—Moir.....	Belleville	No. 127—Franck.....	Frankford
No. 18—Prince Edward.....	Picton	No. 164—Star in the East.....	Wellington
No. 29—United.....	Brighton	No. 215—Lake.....	Ameliasburg
No. 38—Trent.....	Trenton	No. 222—Marmora.....	Marmora
No. 48—Madoc.....	Madoc	No. 239—Tweed.....	Tweed
No. 50—Consecon.....	Consecon	No. 283—Eureka.....	Belleville
No. 69—Stirling.....	Stirling	No. 401—Craig.....	Deseronto
No. 123—Belleville.....	Belleville	No. 482—Bancroft.....	Bancroft

SARNIA DISTRICT,—(21 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Herbert John Hall, Watford**

No. 56—Victoria.....	Sarnia	No. 307—Arkona.....	Arkona
No. 81—St. Johns.....	Mount Brydges	No. 323—Alvinston.....	Alvinston
No. 83—Beaver.....	Strathroy	No. 328—Ionic.....	Napier
No. 116—Cassia.....	Thedford	No. 392—Huron.....	Camlachie
No. 153—Burns.....	Wyoming	No. 397—Leopold.....	Brigden
No. 158—Alexandra.....	Oil Springs	No. 419—Liberty.....	Sarnia
No. 194—Petrolia.....	Petrolia	No. 425—St. Clair.....	Sombra
No. 238—Havelock.....	Watford	No. 437—Tuscan.....	Sarnia
No. 260—Washington.....	Petrolia	No. 503—Inwood.....	Inwood
No. 263—Forest.....	Forest	No. 601—St. Paul.....	Sarnia
No. 294—Moore.....	Courtright		

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT—(18 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. L. Russell Coles, Henshall**

No. 33—Maitland.....	Goderich	No. 233—Doric.....	Parkhill
No. 73—St. James.....	St. Mary's	No. 309—Morning Star.....	Carlow
No. 84—Clinton.....	Clinton	No. 332—Stratford.....	Stratford
No. 133—Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter	No. 456—Elma.....	Monkton
No. 141—Tudor.....	Mitchell	No. 478—Milverton.....	Milverton
No. 144—Tecumseh.....	Stratford	No. 483—Granton.....	Granton
No. 154—Irving.....	Lucan	No. 493—St. Mary's.....	St. Mary's
No. 170—Britannia.....	Seaforth	No. 574—Craig.....	Ailsa Craig
No. 224—Zurich.....	Henshall	No. 609—Tavistock.....	Tavistock

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT—(19 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Percy R. Barnard, Spencerville**

No. 5—Sussex.....	Brockville	No. 242—Macoy.....	Mallorytown
No. 14—True Britons.....	Perth	No. 368—Salem.....	Brockville
No. 24—St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls	No. 370—Harmony.....	Delta
No. 28—Mount Zion.....	Kemptville	No. 387—Lansdowne.....	Lansdowne
No. 55—Merrickville.....	Merrickville	No. 389—Crystal F'ntain N. Augusta	N. Augusta
No. 74—St. James.....	South Augusta	No. 416—Lyn.....	Lyn
No. 85—Rising Sun.....	Athens	No. 489—Osiris.....	Smith's Falls
No. 110—Central.....	Prescott	No. 504—Otter.....	Lombardy
No. 209—Evergreen.....	Lanark	No. 556—Nation.....	Spencerville
		No. 650—Fidelity.....	Toledo

ST. THOMAS DISTRICT—(11 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Meldon Spencer Clause, Dutton**

No. 44—St. Thomas.....St. Thomas	No. 302—St. Davids.....St. Thomas
No. 94—St. Marks.....Port Stanley	No. 364—Duffrin.....Melbourne
No. 120—Warren.....Fingal	No. 386—McColl.....West Lorne
No. 140—Malahide.....Aylmer	No. 411—Rodney.....Rodney
No. 171—Prince of Wales, Lawrence St.	No. 546—Talbot.....St. Thomas
No. 232—Cameron.....Dutton	

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT—(11 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wm. W. White, Timmins**

No. 462—Temiskaming New Liskeard	No. 528—Golden Beaver.....Timmins
No. 485—Haileybury.....Haileybury	No. 530—Cochrane.....Cochrane
No. 486—Silver.....Cobalt	No. 534—Englehart.....Englehart
No. 506—Porcupine.....Porcupine	No. 540—Abitibi.....Iroquois Falls
No. 507—Elk Lake.....Elk Lake	No. 623—Doric.....Kirkland Lake
	No. 648—Spruce Falls Kapuskasing

TORONTO DISTRICT A—(29 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wm. Tansley, Toronto**

No. 229—Ionic.....Brampton	No. 565—Kilwinning.....Toronto
No. 305—Humber.....Weston	No. 566—King Hiram.....Toronto
No. 346—Occident.....Toronto	No. 575—Fidelity.....Toronto
No. 356—River Park.....Streetsville	No. 582—Sunnyside.....Toronto
No. 369—Mimico.....Lambton Mills	No. 583—Transportation.....Toronto
No. 426—Stanley.....Toronto	No. 587—Patricia.....Toronto
No. 474—Victoria.....Toronto	No. 599—Mt. Dennis.....Weston
No. 501—Connaught.....Mimico	No. 600—Maple Leaf.....Toronto
No. 510—Parkdale.....Toronto	No. 605—Melita.....Toronto
No. 522—Mt. Sinai.....Toronto	No. 619—Runnymede.....Toronto
No. 524—Mississauga.....Port Credit	No. 630—Prince of Wales.....Toronto
No. 525—Temple.....Toronto	No. 632—Long Branch.....Mimico
No. 531—High Park.....Toronto	No. 640—Anthony Sayer.....Mimico
No. 548—General Mercer.....Toronto	No. 645—Lake Shore.....Mimico
	No. 652—Memorial.....Weston

TORONTO DISTRICT B—(30 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Frank McK. Chapman, Pickering**

No. 16—St. Andrews.....Toronto	No. 473—Beaches.....Toronto
No. 25—Ionic.....Toronto	No. 494—Riverdale.....Toronto
No. 75—St. John's.....Toronto	No. 520—Coronati.....Toronto
No. 87—Markham Union.....Markham	No. 532—Canada.....Toronto
No. 136—Richardson.....Stouffville	No. 543—Imperial.....Toronto
No. 218—Stevenson.....Toronto	No. 545—Jno Ross Robertson.....Toronto
No. 220—Zeredatha.....Uxbridge	No. 552—Queen City.....Toronto
No. 269—Brougham Union, Claremont	No. 567—St. Aidans.....Toronto
No. 316—Doric.....Toronto	No. 576—Mimosa.....Toronto
No. 339—Orient.....Toronto	No. 612—Birch Cliff.....Birch Cliff
No. 343—Georgina.....Toronto	No. 620—Bay of Quinte.....Toronto
No. 354—Brock.....Cannington	No. 637—Caledonia.....Toronto
No. 424—Doric.....Pickering	No. 647—Todmorden.....Todmorden
No. 430—Acacia.....Toronto	No. 651—Dentonia.....Toronto
No. 464—King Edward.....Sunderland	No. 653—Scarboro.....Agincourt

TORONTO DISTRICT C—(27 Lodges)**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Frederick C. Irwin, Leaside**

No. 22—King Solomon.....Toronto	No. 481—Corinthian.....Toronto
No. 23—Richmond.....Richmond Hill	No. 512—Malone.....Sutton
No. 65—Rehoboth.....Toronto	No. 542—Metropolitan.....Toronto
No. 79—Simcoe.....Bradford	No. 553—Oakwood.....Toronto
No. 86—Wilson.....Toronto	No. 577—St. Clair.....Toronto
No. 97—Sharon.....Queensville	No. 581—Harcourt.....Toronto
No. 99—Tuscan.....Newmarket	No. 591—North Gate.....Toronto
No. 129—Rising Sun.....Aurora	No. 592—Fairbank.....Toronto
No. 156—York.....Toronto	No. 606—Unity.....Toronto
No. 247—Ashlar.....Toronto	No. 607—Golden Fleece.....Toronto
No. 265—Patterson.....Thornhill	No. 629—Glenville.....Toronto
No. 326—Zetland.....Toronto	No. 634—Delta.....Toronto
No. 438—Harmony.....Toronto	No. 638—Bedford.....Toronto
	No. 646—Rowland.....Mt. Albert

TORONTO DISTRICT D—(25 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. N. F. Davin Kelley, Toronto

No. 54—Vaughan.....	Maple	No. 537—Ulster.....	Toronto
No. 98—True Blue.....	Bolton	No. 541—Tuscan.....	Toronto
No. 118—Union.....	Schomberg	No. 547—Victory.....	Toronto
No. 292—Robertson.....	King	No. 559—Palestine.....	Toronto
No. 311—Blackwood.....	Woodbridge	No. 570—Dufferin.....	Toronto
No. 367—St. George.....	Toronto	No. 571—Antiquity.....	Toronto
No. 384—Alpha.....	Toronto	No. 572—Mizpah.....	Toronto
No. 410—Zeta.....	Toronto	No. 586—War Veterans.....	Toronto
No. 468—Peel.....	Caledon East	No. 589—Grey.....	Toronto
No. 496—University.....	Toronto	No. 611—Huron-Bruce.....	Toronto
No. 514—St. Alban's.....	Toronto	No. 635—Wellington.....	Toronto
No. 533—Shamrock.....	Toronto	No. 643—Cathedral.....	Toronto
		No. 644—Simcoe.....	Toronto

VICTORIA DISTRICT—(12 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wilmur L. MacArthur, Minden

No. 77—Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay	No. 440—Arcadia.....	Minden
No. 268—Verulam.....	Bobcaygeon	No. 451—Somerville.....	Kinmount
No. 375—Lorne.....	Omeme	No. 463—North Entrance	Haliburton
No. 398—Victoria.....	Kirkfield	No. 477—Harding.....	Woodville
No. 406—Spry.....	Fenelon Falls	No. 498—King George V.....	Coboconk
No. 408—Murray.....	Beaverton	No. 608—Gothic.....	Lindsay

WELLINGTON DISTRICT—(19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Alexander W. Muir, Fergus

No. 72—Alma.....	Galt	No. 279—New Hope.....	Hespeler
No. 151—Grand River.....	Kitchener	No. 295—Conestogo.....	Drayton
No. 172—Ayr.....	Ayr	No. 297—Preston.....	Preston
No. 180—Speed.....	Guelph	No. 318—Wilmot.....	Baden
No. 203—Irvine.....	Elora	No. 321—Walker.....	Acton
No. 205—New Dom'on, New Hamburg		No. 347—Mercer.....	Fergus
No. 219—Credit.....	Georgetown	No. 361—Waverley.....	Guelph
No. 257—Galt.....	Galt	No. 509—Twin City.....	Kitchener
No. 258—Guelph.....	Guelph	No. 539—Waterloo.....	Waterloo
		No. 628—Glenrose.....	Elmira

WESTERN DISTRICT—(8 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Earle C. Popham, Kenora.

No. 414—Pequonga.....	Kenora	No. 461—Ionic.....	Rainy River
No. 417—Keewatin.....	Keewatin	No. 484—Golden Star.....	Dryden
No. 445—Lake of the Words. Kenora		No. 518—Sioux Lookout	Sioux L'out
No. 446—Granite.....	Fort Frances	No. 631—Manitou.....	Emo

WILSON DISTRICT—(20 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Gordon Young, Norwich

No. 10—Norfolk.....	Simcoe	No. 178—Plattsville.....	Plattsville
No. 37—King Hiram.....	Ingersoll	No. 181—Oriental.....	Port Burwell
No. 43—King Solomon's. Woodstock		No. 217—Frederick.....	Delhi
No. 68—St. John's.....	Ingersoll	No. 237—Vienna.....	Vienna
No. 76—Oxford.....	Woodstock	No. 250—Thistle.....	Embro
No. 78—King Hiram.....	Tillsonburg	No. 259—Springfield.....	Springfield
No. 104—St. John's.....	Norwich	No. 261—Oak Branch.....	Innerkip
No. 108—Blenheim.....	Princeton	No. 359—Vittoria.....	Vittoria
No. 149—Erie.....	Port Dover	No. 569—Doric.....	Lakeside
No. 174—Walsingham.....	Port Rowan	No. 624—Dereham.....	Mt. Elgin

WINDSOR DISTRICT—(19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. John Thurlow, Windsor

No. 34—Thistle.....	Amherstburg	No. 488—King Edward.....	Harrow
No. 41—St. George.....	Kingsville	No. 500—Rose.....	Windsor
No. 47—Great Western.....	Windsor	No. 521—Ontario.....	Windsor
No. 290—Leamington.....	Leamington	No. 554—Border Cities.....	Windsor
No. 395—Parvaim.....	Comber	No. 579—Harmony.....	Windsor
No. 402—Central.....	Essex	No. 598—Dominion.....	Windsor
No. 403—Windsor.....	Windsor	No. 604—Palace.....	Windsor
No. 413—Naphtali.....	Tilbury	No. 627—Pelee.....	Scudder
No. 448—Xenophon.....	Wheatley	No. 641—Garden.....	Windsor
		No. 642—St. Andrew's.....	Windsor

RECAPITULATION

Algoma District.....	7 Lodges
Brant District.....	14 Lodges
Bruce District.....	12 Lodges
Chatham District.....	14 Lodges
Eastern District.....	18 Lodges
Frontenac District.....	18 Lodges
Georgian District.....	19 Lodges
Grey District.....	12 Lodges
Hamilton A District.....	16 Lodges
Hamilton B District.....	17 Lodges
London.....	23 Lodges
Muskoka District.....	8 Lodges
Niagara A. District.....	12 Lodges
Niagara B District.....	13 Lodges
Nipissing District.....	17 Lodges
North Huron District.....	12 Lodges
Ontario District.....	13 Lodges
Ottawa District.....	27 Lodges
Peterborough District.....	11 Lodges
Prince Edward District.....	16 Lodges
Sarnia District.....	21 Lodges
South Huron District.....	18 Lodges
St. Lawrence District.....	19 Lodges
St. Thomas.....	11 Lodges
Temiskaming District.....	11 Lodges
Toronto A District.....	29 Lodges
Toronto B District.....	30 Lodges
Toronto C District.....	27 Lodges
Toronto D District.....	25 Lodges
Victoria District.....	12 Lodges
Wellington District.....	19 Lodges
Western District.....	8 Lodges
Wilson District.....	20 Lodges
Windsor District.....	19 Lodges

LODGES BY LOCATION

Location	Name and No.	Location	Name and No.
Abingdon.....	Lincoln 544	Cardinal.....	Cardinal 491
Acton.....	Walker 321	Cargill.....	Moravian 431
Agincourt.....	Scarboro, 653	Carlow.....	Morning Star 309
Ailsa Craig.....	Craig 574	Carp.....	Carleton 465
Alexandria.....	Alexandria 439	Carleton Place.....	St. John's 63
Alliston.....	Seven Star 285	Cayuga.....	St. John's 35
Almonte.....	Mississippi 147	Centreville.....	Victoria 299
Alvinston.....	Alvinston 323	Chapleau.....	Lorne 622
Ameliasburg.....	Lake 215	Chatham.....	Parthenon 267
Amherstburg.....	Thistle 34	Chatham.....	Wellington 46
Ancaster.....	Seymour 272	Chatham.....	Victory 563
Arden.....	St. Andrew's 497	Chesley.....	Forest 393
Arkona.....	Arkona 307	Chesterville.....	Chesterville 320
Arnprior.....	Madawaska 196	Chippawa.....	King Edward VII 471
Arthur.....	Prince Arthur 334	Claremont.....	Brougham Union 269
Athens.....	Rising Sun 85	Clarksburg.....	Beaver 234
Aultsville.....	Farran's Point 256	Clifford.....	Clifford 315
Aurora.....	Rising Sun 129	Clinton.....	Clinton 54
Avonmore.....	Avonmore 452	Cobalt.....	Silver 486
Aylmer.....	Malahide 140	Cobden.....	Cobden 459
Ayr.....	Ayr 172	Cobourg.....	St. John's 17
Baden.....	Wilmot 318	Coboconk.....	King George V 498
Bancroft.....	Bancroft 482	Cochrane.....	Cochrane 530
Barrie.....	Corinthian 96	Colborne.....	Colborne 91
Barrie.....	Kerr 230	Coldwater.....	Karnak 492
Bath.....	Maple Leaf 119	Collingwood.....	Manito 90
Beachburg.....	Enterprise 516	Comber.....	Parvaum 395
Beamsville.....	Ivy 115	Consecon.....	Consecon 50
Beaverton.....	Murray 408	Cookstown.....	Manitoba 236
Beeton.....	Spry 385	Copper Cliff.....	Algonquin 536
Belleville.....	Eureka 283	Cornwall.....	Cornwall 125
Belleville.....	Moir 11	Courtright.....	Moore 294
Belleville.....	The Belleville 123	Creemore.....	Nitetic 444
Belmont.....	Belmont 190	Delaware.....	Delaware Valley 358
Binbrook.....	Harmony 57	Delhi.....	Frederick 217
Birch Cliff.....	Birch Cliff 612	Delta.....	Harmony 370
Blenheim.....	Kent 274	Deseronto.....	Craig 401
Blind River.....	Penewobikong 487	Dorchester Sta.....	Merrill 344
Blyth.....	Blyth 303	Drayton.....	Conestogo 295
Bobcaygeon.....	Verulam 268	Dresden.....	Sydenham 255
Bolton.....	True Blue 98	Dryden.....	Golden Star 484
Bothwell.....	Star of the East 422	Dundalk.....	Dundalk 449
Bowmanville.....	Jerusalem 31	Dundas.....	Valley 100
Bracebridge.....	Muskoka 360	Dunnville.....	Amity 32
Bradford.....	Simcoe 79	Durham.....	Durham 306
Brampton.....	Ionic 229	Dutton.....	Cameron 232
Brantford.....	Brant 45	Eganville.....	Bonnechere 433
Brantford.....	Doric 121	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake 507
Brantford.....	Ozias 508	Elmira.....	Glen Rose 628
Brantford.....	Reba 515	Elmvale.....	Coronation 466
Bridgeburg.....	Palmer 372	Elora.....	Irvine 203
Brigden.....	Leopold 397	Embro.....	Thistle 250
Brighton.....	United 29	Emo.....	Manitou 631
Brockville.....	Salem 368	Emsdale.....	Algonquin 434
Brockville.....	Sussex 5	Englehart.....	Englehart 534
Brooklin.....	Mount Zion 39	Erin.....	Wellington 271
Brussels.....	St. John's 284	Espanola.....	Espanola 527
Bryanston.....	Middlesex 379	Essex.....	Central 402
Burford.....	Burford 106	Exeter.....	Lebanon Forest 133
Burk's Falls.....	Corona 454	Fenelon Falls.....	The Spry 406
Burlington.....	Burlington 165	Fergus.....	Mercer 347
Burlington Beach.....	Beach 639	Finch.....	Finch 557
Byron.....	Ashlar 610	Fingal.....	Warren 120
Caledon East.....	Peel 468	Flesherton.....	Prince Arthur 333
Caledonia.....	St. Andrew's 62	Florence.....	Florence 390
Campbellford.....	Golden Rule 126	Fonthill.....	Phoenix 535
Campbellville.....	Campbell 603	Fordwich.....	Fordwich 331
Camlachie.....	Huron 392	Forest.....	Forest 263
Cannington.....	Brook 354	Fort Erie.....	Fort Erie 613
Capreol.....	National 588		

Location	Name and No.	Location	Name and No.
Fort Frances.....	Granite 446	Kingston.....	The Anct. St. John's 3
Fort William.....	Kaministiquia 584	Kingsville.....	St. George 41
Fort William.....	Port William 415	Kinmount.....	Somerville 451
Fort William.....	Royal 453	Kirkfield.....	Victoria 398
Frankford.....	Frank 127	Kirkland Lake.....	Doric 623
Galt.....	Alma 72	Kitchener.....	Grand River 151
Galt.....	Galt 257	Kitchener.....	Twin City 509
Gananoque.....	Leeds 201	Komoka.....	Myra 529
Georgetown.....	Credit 219	Lakefield.....	Clementi 313
Glencoe.....	Lorne 282	Lakeside.....	Doric 569
Goderich.....	Maitland 33	Lambeth.....	St. Paul's 107
Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay 472	Lambton Mills.....	Mimico 369
Grand Valley.....	Scott 421	Lanark.....	Evergreen 209
Granton.....	Granton 483	Lancaster.....	Lancaster 207
Gravenhurst.....	Golden Rule 409	Lansdowne.....	Lansdowne 387
Grimsby.....	Union 7	Lawrence.....	Prince of Wales 171
Guelph.....	Guelph 258	Leamington.....	Leamington 290
Guelph.....	Speed 180	Lindsay.....	Faithful Brethren 77
Guelph.....	Waverley 361	Lindsay.....	Gothic 608
Hagersville.....	Hiram 319	Listowel.....	Bernard 225
Haileybury.....	Haileybury 485	Little Current.....	Doric 455
Haliburton.....	North Entrance 463	Lobo.....	Doric 289
Hamilton.....	Acacia 61	Lombardy.....	Otter 504
Hamilton.....	Ancient Landmarks 654	Londesboro.....	Hullett 568
Hamilton.....	Barton 6	London.....	Acacia 580
Hamilton.....	Buchanan 550	London.....	Corinthian 330
Hamilton.....	Corinthian 513	London.....	King Solomon's 378
Hamilton.....	Doric 382	London.....	Kilwinning 64
Hamilton.....	Dundurn 475	London.....	St. John's 20
Hamilton.....	Electric 495	London.....	St. John's 209a
Hamilton.....	Hamilton 562	London.....	St. George's 42
Hamilton.....	Hillcrest 594	London.....	Temple 597
Hamilton.....	Hugh Murray 602	London.....	Tuscan 190
Hamilton.....	Ionic 549	London.....	Union 385
Hamilton.....	St. Andrew's 593	Lucan.....	Irving 154
Hamilton.....	St. John's 40	Lucknow.....	Old Light 184
Hamilton.....	Strict Observance 27	Lyn.....	Lyn 416
Hamilton.....	Temple 324	Lynden.....	Lynden 505
Hamilton.....	Tuscan 551	Madoc.....	Madoc 48
Hamilton.....	Wardrope 555	Mallorytown.....	Macey 242
Hanover.....	Hanover 432	Maple.....	Vaughan 54
Harrietsville.....	Moffat 399	Markdale.....	Hiram 490
Harriston.....	Harriston 262	Markham.....	Markham Union 87
Harrow.....	King Edward 488	Marmora.....	Marmora 222
Harrowsmith.....	Albion 109	Martintown.....	Martintown 596
Hastings.....	Hastings 633	Mattawa.....	Mattawa 405
Havelock.....	Havelock 435	Maxville.....	Maxville 418
Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury 450	Meaford.....	Pythagoras 137
Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean 517	Melbourne.....	Dufferin 364
Hensall.....	Zurich 224	Merlin.....	Century 457
Hepworth.....	Burns 436	Merrickville.....	Merrickville 55
Hespeler.....	New Hope 279	Merritton.....	Adanac 614
Highgate.....	Highgate 336	Midland.....	Caledonian 249
Hornepayne.....	Hornepayne 636	Millbrook.....	J. B. Hall 145
Huntsville.....	Unity 376	Millgrove.....	Waterdown 357
Ilderton.....	Henderson 388	Milton.....	St. Clair 135
Ingersoll.....	King Hiram 37	Milverson.....	Milverson 478
Ingersoll.....	St. John's 68	Mimico.....	Connaught 501
Innerkip.....	Oak Branch 261	Mimico.....	Anthony Sayer 640
Inwood.....	Inwood 503	Mimico.....	Lake Shore 645
Iroquois.....	Friendly Brothers 143	Mimico.....	Long Branch 632
Iroquois Falls.....	Abitibi 540	Minden.....	Arcadia 440
Jarvis.....	King Solomon 329	Mitchell.....	Tudor 141
Kapuskasing.....	Spruce Falls 648	Monkton.....	Elma 456
Keene.....	Keene 374	Morrisburg.....	Excelsior 142
Keewatin.....	Keewatin 417	Mount Albert.....	Rowland 646
Kemptville.....	Mount Zion 28	Mount Brydges.....	St. John's 81
Kenora.....	Lake of the Woods 445	Mount Elgin.....	Dereham 624
Kenora.....	Pequonga 414	Mount Forest.....	St. Alban's 200
Kincardine.....	Northern Light 93	Napanee.....	Union 9
King.....	Robertson 292	Napier.....	Ionic 328
Kingston.....	Cataragui 92	Newboro.....	Simpson 157
Kingston.....	Minden 253	Newburgh.....	Prince of Wales 146
Kingston.....	Queen's 578	Newcastle.....	Durham 66
Kingston.....	Royal Edward 585	New Hamburg.....	New Dominion 205

Location	Name and No.	Location	Name and No.
New Liskeard.....	Temiskaming 462	Queensville.....	Sharon 97
Newmarket.....	Tuscan 99	Rainy River.....	Ionic 461
Niagara.....	Niagara 2	Renfrew.....	Renfrew 122
Niagara Falls.....	Adoniram 573	Riceville.....	Plantagenet 186
Niagara Falls.....	Clifton 254	Richmond.....	Goodwood 159
Niagara Falls.....	St. Mark's 105	Richmond Hill.....	Richmond 23
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G. W. Cherrie, June 19; D. Hogg, Dec. 27, 1929; F. McLenaghan, Dec. 26. 15.—J. M. Bessey, March 22; J. A. Peeper, April 15; W. D. McLeod, May 27; J. D. Russell, Mar.—. 16.—A. Laughlen, Jan. 22; J. C. Darroch, Mar. 4; H. H. Dryden, March 24; C. H. Rust, Oct. 16; J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 16; H. H. Plant, Dec. 4; C. E. Bell, Dec. 22; J. J. Armstrong, Dec. 27. 17.—A. A. McDonald, Jan. 31; F. R. Irish, April 13; W. F. Kerr, June 11. 18.—H. Mulholland, April 11. 20.—R. G. Patterson, April —; H. R. Taylor, Aug. 10; D. C. C. Platt, Dec. 28; J. Garratt, Sept. 12. 21A.—W. S. Mooney, Nov. 8; H. J. Howes, July 27. 22.—H. J. Bobby, Dec. 18; W. H. Scott, Jan. 28; O. J. Grundy, April 13; A. G. Mackie, May 27; W. S. Harrison, Sept. 2; W. Forster, Sept. 11; C. B. Bell, Nov. 6; W. J. Ramsay, Sept. 13. 23.—L. A. Hand, Jan. 20; A. J. Helmckay, May 23; J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 16. 24.—C. W. Drinkwater, March 20; A. Nawsome, April 20; J. A. Anderson, Aug. 4; F. W. Mishelly, Oct. 4; D. L. Armour, Oct. 10; C. H. McGrath, Dec. 4. 25.—J. C. Smith, Nov. 16; N. B. Bell, March 21; W. Nesbitt, April 7; R. I. Towers, April 10; R. Holmes, May 14; A. D. Armour, Sept. —; H. Blake, Oct. 5; J. Agnew, Dec. 27. 26.—J. W. Sanders, June 26; F. E. Vincent, Oct. 25. 27.—E. Fuller, March 21; W. C. Brechenridge, April 6; T. Shrosbree, April 8; H. P. Brierly, April 4; H. D. Cogard, April 27; E. Powis, March 19; G. Walker, Oct. 29; F. T. Smye, Nov. 15; W. Yates, Nov. 16; J. Randall, Nov. 29. 29.—W. H. Russell, Feb. 13; C. R. W. Proctor, May 2; R. A. Hamilton, Oct. 29; G. Drewry, Dec. 11; M. Shaw, Oct. 29. 30.—W. M. VanValkenburg, Feb. 6; T. Crouch, April 13; H. Harden, April 29; E. R. Blow, Sept. 14; J. M. Chisholm, Dec. 17. 31.—F. J. Horne, April 3; W. E. Gerry, Dec. 2; A. M. Williams, Dec. 8. 32.—H. Pyle, Feb. 13; T. Shilton, March 18. 33.—J. Beck, Dec. 6; W. T. Millar, Jan. 10; J. W. Smith, May 20; G. Kenyon, June 9. 34.—W. S. French, Feb. 6; E. Munn, July 10. 35.—C. H. Clark, July 3; C. C. Gibson, Feb. 4. 37.—C. A. Choate, Feb. 27; A. L. Thompson, July 10. 38.—W. J. Preston, Feb. 11; F. J. Farley, Mar. 26; R. G. Way, Oct. 4. 39.—G. C. Rodd, Feb. 27. 40.—C. Webb, July 28; W. A. Mosher, Dec. 7; J. Campbell Jan. 27; W. Gilliland, Feb. 1; J. Pountney, March 25; G. Askew, March 26; A. T. Coultis, April 15; T. A. McKellar, April 29. 41.—F. Taylor, April 15; G. E. Jackson, April 24; G. I. Scott, Nov. 17. 42.—J. L. Spry, Dec. 29; J. Lang, May 13; R. Birrell, July 19; J. E. Morton, Aug. 8. 43.—L. Edwards, July 31; G. Midgley, Aug. 5; W. E. Budd, Dec. 21; B. O. Dickson, Feb. 2; I. C. Warfield, April 14. 44.—J. A. McCance, Feb. 8; H. Elems, Mar. 3; W. W. Metler, Jan. 2; J. Dunsheath, Aug. 4; R. Hindley, Oct. —. 45.—A. D. Passmore, May 25; W. H. Hammond, April 5; R. Ashton, Sept. 10; A. H. Brown, Sept. 3; S. G. Read, Sept. 22; A. G. Montgomery, Sept. 25; W. M. Lewis, Oct. 3. 46.—A. P. Miller, Feb. 19; A. Brown, Mar. 29; W. J. Blackburn, April 16; A. Patterson, Oct. 21. 47.—E. Wills, Jan. 6; C. J. Zoller, Jan. 8; G. Jackson, Jan. 21; A. G. Morgan, Jan. 15; W. Warner, Mar. 8; W. B. S. Craig, Mar. 19; W. Hillier, April 29; C. L. Potts, May 8; F. D. Davis, Oct. 5; S. Edwards, Sept. 10; D. Purvis, Oct. 5; G. B. Scott, Mar. 4. 48.—C. Wright, April 27; C. B. Hamm, June 3. 50.—R. O. Aleya, May 15; D. W. P. Robinson, July 23. 52.—G. Harman, Feb. 7; J. R. Reid, Feb. 23; F. N. Johnson, July 27; W. B. Marshall, Oct. 15; J. A. Bell, Oct. 10; G. E. Steacy, July 19; J. C. Scott, Dec. 25. 54.—T. A. Cousins, Jan. 23. 55.—D. Crozier, Nov. 24. 56.—P. Clark, Mar. 8; G. S. Mitten, Feb. 4; R. E. Joss, Feb. 15; A. Murray, Aug. 14; A. Weir, Sept. 1; G. Osborne, Sept. 25; W. Hewitt, Oct. 15; G. T. Proctor, Nov. 14. 58.—T. A. Brownlee, Jan. 17; J. H. Bolland, Aug. 24. R. Hastey, Sept. 8; R. F. Fotheringham, Oct. 21. 61.—J. I. Morris, Feb. 11; F. G. Taylor, Feb. 29; J. G. Malcolm, Feb. 20; T. Wilson, Feb. 22; E. E. Sheppard, March 2; F. S. DeLong, May 22; W. H. Monk, March 11; W. Howell, March 10; A. W. A. Taylor, June 16; F. R. Barnard, Aug. 14; R. C. Pettigrew, Sept. 7. 62.—J. Benfield, Oct. 30. 63.—W. Griffith, Sept. 18; E. Fanning, Oct. 9; J. McFarlane, Oct. 27; F. C. Donald, Nov. 16; S. J. Montgomery, March 23; J. A. Dack, April 22. 64.—W. Ward, April 17; J. W. Kerr, June 15; J. Brown, May 21; K. D. Ross, June 25; K. D. Dawe, July 17; T. Jenkins, Aug. 17; G. E. Wright, Sept. 10; J. S. Gillelan, Sept. 23; E. E. Underhill, Sept. 26; J. T. Thompson, April 18; W. H. Boomer, Dec. 3. 65.—C. H. Dies, Jan. 25; C. Newman, Feb. 17; C. G. Cooper, March 10; W. H. Cruickshank, March 24; J. Ruckstinat, April 2; R. H. Roberts, April 29; J. Cohen, May 9; H. Bromley, May 18; J. K. Brydon, May 19; J. N. Collins, June 15; J. B. Harris, June 22; J. McGregor, June 22; A. Lyons, July 26; C. F. Moorehouse, Oct. —; G. W. McGill, Dec. 23. 68.—F. A. Hacock, May 3; G. Wilson, Sept. 17. 69.—L. F. Moon, May 22; C. E. Kennedy, May 21; W. C. Boardman, Aug. 31. 72.—H. Kennedy, Aug. 30. 73.—D. Bonis, July 19. 74.—J. P. Baker, Oct. 1. 75.—H. Blain, Jan. 15; J. King, March 17; A. Minnock, March 17; H. N. Brett, Feb. 25; W. H. Knowlton, May 19; W. J. Chapman, Nov. 29; A. G. McLellan, Sept. 19; J. J. Fair, Aug. 7. 76.—R. Barrett, Jan. 31;

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Foreman, July 31; J. A. Patterson, Nov. 20; W. Whipps, Dec. 31. 91.—N. Gaffield, Feb. 20; J. T. Gordon, Feb. 26; R. G. Terry, June 30. 92.—G. Somerville, Sept. 29; J. B. Phillips, Nov. 1; W. J. Driver, Feb. 6; L. Mylks, Feb. 2; V. Svenson, May 13; J. Peters, Mar. 16. 93.—H. M. Ross, April 19; M. G. Huffman, Aug. 19; A. McKenzie, Sept. 10; E. Fox, Sept. 11; J. MacPherson, Oct. 1. 94.—R. Styles, Mar. 19; H. F. Jelly, Sept. 21. 96.—W. C. Curtis, May 6; J. Barr, June 15; W. J. McKinley, July 19; R. Shultz, Oct. 24; R. Pulfor, Oct. 28. 97.—S. C. Soules, Jan. 23; A. E. Morton, July 10; A. I. Traniss, Aug. 27. 99.—T. B. Kirk, April 17. 100.—T. H. Paling, Feb. 5; E. E. Fisher, Sept. 14. 101.—W. R. Widders, Jan. 17; R. M. Waddell, Jan. 28; E. N. Gibbs, June 28; G. H. Logie, July 17. 103.—C. B. Manners, Feb. 17; C. S. Harvey, Mar. 30; J. H. McNeil, April 22; H. A. Cavers, May 12; F. E. Coy, Sept. 29; F. L. Pattison, Dec. 21. 104.—J. K. Hoggard, June 4. 105.—J. W. Lockwood, April 5; J. C. Hull, April 15; J. A. Waugh, April 18. 106.—H. F. Muir, July 9. 107.—J. E. Scott, Feb. 20. 108.—H. Kloss, Sept. 6; J. Wilson, Sept. 10. 110.—J. A. Tripp, Aug. 26; A. Parker, July 13; R. H. McKee, Nov. 22. J. Taylor, Jan. 5. 113.—I. E. York, Feb. 4; A. R. Ewing, May 26; L. Beemer, July 8; J. S. Decoe, Sept. 27; P. Learmouth, Nov. 28. 114.—H. J. Smith, Nov. 24; H. V. Turek, July 18. 115.—C. P. Ingleby, July 3; J. Robson, March 13. 119.—C. W. Collins, Sept. 19. 121.—E. H. Dyer, Sept. 1; F. A. White; Sept. 8; J. S. Dunlop, Jan. 13; C. H. Wilmot, Jan. 23; T. R. Logan, Feb. 14. E. Schmidlin, Feb. 19; J. Ogle, May 26; W. A. Robinson, June 16. 123.—H. B. Rathbun, Feb. 15; J. L. Tickell, April 27; F. Quick, June 27; J. McKeown, July 8; W. W. Reid, Aug. 11; S. G. Retallack, Sept. 17; W. B. Horie, Oct. 5; R. Macpherson, Oct. 31. 125.—W. H. Secord, Aug. 11; A. A. McDonald, July 2; C. A. McHaffie, Sept. 9; H. Williams, Feb. 4; H. R. Gregor, March 19; F. J. Hall, March 30; W. B. Arnold, Oct. 1. 126.—P. Stephens, Jan. 22; G. A. Hay, Dec. 24; E. J. Free, Nov. 16; J. Saunders, Dec. 12; C. K. Stephens, June 29. 127.—J. A. Nugent, May 29; H. C. Blecher, June 1; J. Lennox, Aug. 26; J. H. Sills, Oct. 8; R. P. Armstrong, Oct. 10; S. Badgley, Oct. 15. 128.—W. Beamish, April 12; J. D. Deacon, May 14; J. S. Fraser, Dec. 13. 129.—F. H. Hartman, Aug. 2; W. Hastings, Jan. 11. 131.—G. MacAuley, April 3. 133.—J. A. Rollins, Dec. 5. 135.—P. C. Campbell, Aug. —; J. Dearing, Dec. 17; B. Bridgeman, Feb. 11; C. H. Stuart, April 4; G. E. Sitzler, April 16; T. Sayers, March 1929. 137.—G. H. Hair, Feb. 21; F. Beckett, April 27, 139.—W. J. Irwin, Sept. 7; G. Miller, Dec. 21. 140.—J. A. McKellar, Jan. 29; F. L. Wagner, April 25; J. J. Nairn, Aug. 21; R. Knott, Aug. 23; J. M. Farthing, Oct. 12. 141.—A. Mutton, Jan. 17. 142.—J. J. Gillespie, Nov. 11; J. W. Suffel, March 14. 143.—S. Hunter, Jan. 29; U. H. Holmes, Dec. 6. 144.—P. Borman, April 2; A. Holmes, Sept. 30; H. A. Lawson, Oct. 28; J. Farquharson, Nov. 19; H. G. Wenn, Nov. 12; A. Wood, Dec. 19; A. Kastella, Nov. 29. 145.—J. W. Fisher, Feb. 24; D. W. Johnston, May 7; R. W. Martin, July 25; W. Cathcart, Sept. 12. 146.—R. W. Longmore, Jan. 4; W. Dawson, Feb. 3. 147.—J. R. James, March 18; W. S. Boyd, Sept. 11. 148.—G. A. Sparkes, Dec. —; J. S. Saunders, April 4; G. R. Major, April 26; G. A. Mothersill, Oct. 20; J. C. Thornell, Nov. 7. 149.—W. F. Tibbetts, Jan. 31; G. Thompson, April 6; W. J. Brooks, July 13; F. C. Henderson, Dec. 24. 151.—A. W. Merner, Jan. 1; H. D. McKellar, Feb. 13; C. S. North, Feb. 9; J. Scully, June 2; A. J. Kimmel, Oct. 10; R. W. Appleby, Oct. 4. 153.—W. Benest, Aug. 20; T. Paul, Oct. 19. 154.—J. Kendall, Sept. 3. 155.—J. Alexander, March 24; R. Clinkscale, June 13. 156.—E. E. Graham, Feb. 11; W. G. Paisley, Feb. 17; J. J. Farewell, March 22; H. Harden, April 30; F. Piper, May 2; J. R. Eastwood, July 24; J. J. Madden, Oct. 28; J. W. Shank, Dec. 10. 157.—J. R. Dargavel, Jan. 26; 158.—T. Blain, Feb. 4; J. Sauvey, Dec. 5. 159.—J. Duncan, May 27; R. H. Grant, Nov. 26. 161.—J. H. Douglas, Dec. 20. 164.—W. R. Fox, Oct. 8; S. J. Fox, Dec. 9; A. M. Haight, Jan. 22; S. P. Morden, March 3. 165.—W. Flettham, March 10. 166.—T. H. P. Carpenter, May 4. 168.—

W. W. Wilson, Feb. 23; F. Edgar, April 10; G. A. Swayze, Dec. 2; N. Shaffer, Dec. 10; J. H. Paddon, Dec. 24. 169.—E. N. Miller, May 20; C. S. Kingston, Oct. 23. 170.—C. M. MacGregor, Oct. 29; A. Wilson, Nov. 23. 172.—I. N. Woolner, Sept. 29. 174.—J. A. Hoover, April 1; G. Wisner, May 4; C. E. Elms, June 7. 177.—J. H. Ferguson, May 29; W. J. Mason, June 28; E. G. Brown, Feb. 5; C. Webster, July 20; E. A. Larmouth, Sept. 30. 178.—R. Hewitt, Jan. 24; R. J. Thomas, May 25; G. Veitch, June 8. 180.—G. C. Walker, March 9; G. F. Davidson, April 5; D. McCrae, Oct. 30. 181.—C. W. Cookson, Sept. 14; M. G. Burwell, Dec. 8. 184.—A. Nicholson, Feb. 13; J. S. Walker, April 27; J. A. Sutherland, July 11. E. G. Miller, Nov. 18; T. Watson, Dec. 20. 185.—G. Reid, May 15. 186.—J. E. Smith, Sept. 27. 190.—W. T. Appleford, Feb. 27; G. K. Turnbull, Sept. 22. 192.—R. Strathearn, Mar. 17; P. Robertson, June 12; H. N. Scratch, Feb. 28; C. R. Estes, May 11; J. Morrison, Feb. 27; A. McDonald, Dec. 28; T. G. McReynolds, Nov. 22; H. Warren, Aug. 27. 193.—W. M. Chambers, Aug. 26; H. C. Scott, Nov. 5. 194.—A. B. Elliott, April 19; H. Simpson, June 15; D. Rosford, Nov. 2; M. Collins, Nov. 15. 195.—G. A. Blatchford, Jan. 29; J. M. Moore, June 19; J. H. Brown, Nov. 14. 196.—C. Gillan, March 4. 197.—W. A. F. McArthur, May 29; N. H. Wilton, Aug. 5. 200.—J. W. Kilgour, Dec. 21. 201.—H. C. Atkinson, Feb. 9; S. Griffin, Aug. 27. 203.—S. Thompson, April 16. 205.—D. Ritz, March 21; A. W. Callahan, April 6. 207.—A. F. McLaren, Jan. 25; G. A. Watson, Nov. 19. 209A.—A. J. Grant, May 27; J. Fried, July 24; H. E. Landon, Aug. 1; B. Pendleton, Aug. 29; W. B. Gillespie, Sept. 10; H. K. McCormick, Dec. 4; E. R. Atkins, Dec. 12. 215.—W. K. Ostrom, April 8. 216.—F. J. Crowe, Sept. 15; F. T. Marshall, Oct. 12; C. Braiden, Nov. 25; T. F. Reid, June 10; F. J. Marshall, Jan. 7; J. Armstrong, June 5; C. R. Rutledge, June 10. 217.—G. E. Quance, July 28; G. Kaufmann, Sept. 12; J. Butler, April 26. 218.—F. J. Jarrott, May 2; W. Sloan, Jan. 16; C. McClelland, Oct. 22; T. S. Huckle, Nov. 18. 219.—G. Faulkner, Feb. 23. 220.—G. W. Lapp, Feb. 19. 221.—P. C. Morrison, Jan. 23; W. R. Campbell, Jan. 5; D. Ramsey, June 12. 222.—A. H. Connor, July 20; M. Fedlar, July 25; N. M. Berry, Aug. 22. 223.—J. S. Meikle, Jan. 14; B. C. Parker, Oct. 1. 225.—J. A. Hacking, Feb. 10; J. W. Scott, April 16; H. Hemsworth, April 26; H. Voigt, May 30; J. M. Nicol, Sept. 16; S. F. Rutherford, Nov. 27. 228.—S. J. Sproule, Sept. 2. 229.—D. McClure, June 12; A. G. Hamilton, Jan. 22; W. E. Scott, Dec. 11; G. Mitchell, Dec. 28. 230.—T. Beecroft, Jan. 30; H. H. Creswicke, Sept. 23. 231.—F. C. Allen, May 8; H. Burgess, Feb. 25; A. Payne, July 9; J. D. Mongo, July 16; A. R. Ralph, July 19; W. Bird, Dec. 1. 232.—N. A. McFarlane, April 9; A. Turner, July 15; A. D. Clapp, Dec. 8. 233.—J. D. Jefferson, Sept. 3; A. B. Gilbert, Sept. 28. 234.—J. Veitch, June 23. 235.—H. McKerracher, Dec. 13. 237.—C. W. Cookson, Sept. 14. 238.—J. C. Clark, Sept. 8. 239.—F. Cotton, Sept. 17. 242.—L. Trickey, Oct. 25; D. S. Mallory, April 21; J. R. Gibson, May 13. 247.—R. A. Lennox, Jan. 11; F. A. Frier, March 18; E. Hopkins, May 1; J. B. Robertson, May 17; C. Smedley, June 1; R. W. Love, June 3; P. Roden, Aug. 8; R. G. Kirby, Aug. 31; F. R. Heakes, Sept. 30; R. Kidney, Nov. 11. 249.—F. H. Jeffery, April 12; A. Jackel, Sept. 12; A. E. Copeland, Dec. 11; W. S. McClinton, Oct. 19; A. E. Green, Dec. 24. 253.—W. J. Clarke, Feb. 8; J. F. McEwan, March 14; J. H. Davis, May 3; M. Oberndorffer, May 28; T. MacKenzie, Sept. 6; T. H. Sargent, Sept. 28; I. N. Williamson, Oct. 4; G. Smith, Oct. 23; R. A. Thompson, Dec. 24. 254.—J. J. Holmes, Feb. 27; W. Hewson, March 2; T. A. Badger, March 20; F. A. Sanders, Oct. 28; T. E. Arscott, Nov. 18; C. F. England, Dec. 17. 255.—T. Cochrane, April 19; A. Cuthbert, April 20; J. R. Burgess, July 8. 256.—J. E. Stubbs, May 22; A. J. Whitlaw, Sept. 15. 257.—W. A. Gammon, Jan. 31; J. Sanders, Feb. 19. 258.—A. J. Macdonald, May 16; V. W. Garside, Feb. 26; H. Walker, June 7; W. Elliott, Aug. 26; H. A. Clemens, Oct. 7; G. Hastings, Nov. 5. 260.—F. W. Coleman, Feb. 2; R. E. McCort, April 9; D. C. Woodward, May 14; J. R. Nevills, Aug. 31; W. A. Brock, Nov. 4. 262.—J. I. Ireland, April 2; H. J. Hucks, Dec. 30. 263.—G. E. McEwen, Jan. 23; W. C. Harwood, Oct. 15; J. Rogers, Jan. 27. 264.—J. Nicol, March 3; F. C. Baker, Jan. 3; G. J. Pink, Feb. 11; H. H. Pink, Feb. 3; E. H. Peterkin, June 29; L. G. Morgan, Dec. 11. 265.—C. P. Johns, Jan. 27; W. T. Clubine, April 9; A. N. Hewitt, Aug. 11; J. C. Bales, Dec. 19; D. M. Boyle, Dec. 21. 267.—W. Lutes, Feb. 13; F. G. Smith, July 29; R. Steen, Aug. 25; W. A. Laughlin, Nov. 7; M. A. Williams, Nov. 8. 270.—E. L. Vickery, July 10; C. Spilshed, Oct. 19. 271.—W. Robertson, March 22; F. E. Walker, July 28; J. H. Lacey, Oct. 15. 272.—C. H. Stuart, April 4; R. Dawdy, Aug. 25. 274.—C. F. Reyecraft, Sept. 24. 277.—J. G. Dell, May 22; W. Atkinson, Oct. 14. 282.—J. Laughton, March 4; J. Y. McLachlin, Sept. 9. 283.—P. H. Hamby, Jan. 14; E. J. Follwell, April 28; J. V. Kerr, Sept. 30. 284.—P. J. Bishop, April 27; A. C. Dames, May 27; 285.—J. Carr, Oct. 11;

R. G. McKnight, Dec. 3; J. McGarvey, Jan. 9; J. Williams, March 31. 286.—R. Vansone, Sept. 20. 287.—T. Dobbs, March 9; W. Jewison, May, 27; F. B. Allen, Aug. 23; G. W. Snook, Sept. 23; P. H. Roemeley, Nov. 12; G. H. Slipper, Dec. 4. 290.—G. L. Cole, Jan. 24; G. Stephenson, Aug. 13; H. Roach, Nov. 6. 291.—A. E. Kemp, Dec. 23. 292.—J. McClement, March 9; G. H. Stone, Nov. 28. 294.—A. K. Murray, May 6; J. G. Robbins, Aug. 13. 296.—G. D. Warden, Oct. 23; A. C. Henderson, Jan. 15; J. W. Heaton, March 1. 299.—J. A. Amey, June 11; 302.—J. C. Spencer, Jan. 23; W. Pennington, Feb. 15; E. D. Welding, March 19; D. D. McFarlane, May 19; H. E. Cox, June 19; G. W. Fenwick, July 16. 303.—G. Snell, June 29. 305.—J. Gardhouses, Dec. 21; A. B. Lamont, March 16; J. H. Conway, May 12. 307.—F. R. Brown, Jan. 4. 309.—T. Gledhill, May 12. 312.—R. Perrin, May 25; M. J. Shaw, June 10. 313.—A. E. Kennedy, Feb. 9; I. D. Church, Oct. 10; G. L. Shepper, Sept. 15. 314.—J. Corbitt, Nov. 13. 315.—I. E. McIntosh, Feb. 5. 316.—C. H. C. Leggott, Dec. 31, H. T. Flynn, Feb. 21; B. E. Teetzel, Feb. 24; J. S. Thomson, Feb. 24; J. L. Dicker, March 29; J. E. Leslie, June 15; H. Thomson, July 14; W. J. Harris, Sept. 19; W. Spardbrow, Oct. 11. 319.—R. C. Ince, June 19; C. H. Peacock, Aug. 9. 320.—B. W. Fickes, Feb. 10; J. G. Munro, July 28. 321.—H. Walker, June 7. 322.—R. G. Ross, May 8. 324.—E. Schumacker, Jan. 12; J. J. Markham, April 18; R. A. Robertson, May 2; A. S. Brennen, May 5; W. Iredale, June 16; N. S. Jones, July 5; C. Thurgood, Sept. 11; G. S. Rennie, Oct. 13; J. Wilson, Oct. 18; P. H. Gage, Nov. 26. 325.—J. A. Honeywell, Aug. 5. 326.—R. C. Warmingtton, Dec. 31; W. S. Crone, Jan. 16; D. W. Deeks, March —; J. A. Buckley, Feb. 19; R. Buchan, July 17; J. A. Walker, Jan. 13; W. A. Allan, Nov. 8; J. F. Snarr, Nov. 15; J. T. Smith, Nov. 15; R. S. Coryell, Nov. 22; G. F. James, May 7; W. T. Dockrill, May 14; W. A. Mosey, May 25; M. MacGregor, May 29; F. A. Hall, June 17. 327.—W. A. Clark, April 23; J. Brown, Aug. 19. 328.—J. Lyons, March 8; A. J. Brock, June 22; J. W. Taylor, Sept. 12. 330.—W. Mayo, Feb. 16; J. Munro, June 30. 332.—J. Henderson, March 31; A. G. Seyfret, June 30; G. Montgomery, Aug. 11. 333.—W. E. Morgan, Sept. 16. 334.—E. Allen, Sept. 30. 336.—J. H. Rettenmier, Sept. 8. 338.—J. E. Cohoe, Nov. 2. 339.—J. Campbell, April 28; W. M. Hobbs, May 1; W. Hay, May 21; E. Sanderson May 28; B. O. Furey, June 5; H. Curry, Sept. 7; B. G. Stephenson, Aug. 27; F. McGraw, Oct. 5. 341.—A. Norman, Jan. 11. 343.—P. K. Perry, June 3; W. J. Squires, Jan. 17; W. M. Fidler, Aug. 3; D. W. Jennings, July 27; G. O. Mesron, Sept. 13. 344.—C. Morrison, June 1. 346.—A. D. Adamson, Feb. 26; W. Lewis, April 30; S. Murray, June 27; R. E. Hopkins, Nov. 24; W. H. Wilson, Oct. 6; J. Beck, Dec. 4; T. H. Dunn, Dec. 23. 347.—W. A. Ross, June 15; J. A. Goodale, Aug. 18. 348.—W. McMillan, March 31. 352.—J. Calder, Nov. 2; W. F. Thomson, June 23; J. McGowan, Jan 5; W. Burke, July 26. 354.—W. A. Mullan, Nov. 24; J. Wright, Oct. 4. 356.—W. E. Brunsckill, June 6; H. H. Rich, Aug. 24. 357.—J. Bennett, May 4; M. Markle, Sept. 25; A. J. Mann, Dec. 31. 358.—H. J. Scott, April 26. 359.—J. Pow, May 26; G. McIntosh, Nov. 22; J. Bieckler, Nov. 17; N. S. Palmerston, Nov. 26. 360.—W. A. Davidson, Feb. 18; P. A. Smith, July 27. 361.—G. M. Lucas, Feb. 11; J. L. Yule, April 18; M. S. Bancroft, Sept. 12; J. Gummer, Nov. 20. 362.—F. C. Dopfer, Aug. 25. 364.—J. A. Staples, Nov. 12. W. G. Bentley, March 7; C. L. Bedson, Jan. 8; F. B. Mason, March 16; J. R. Marshall, July 28; A. P. Wright, Aug. 28; R. J. Dalley, Oct. 28; J. W. Dickson, Dec. 8; J. E. C. Boyce, Dec. 12; R. W. Brennan, Dec. 15. 368.—J. Lackie, March 28; F. Armstrong, Jan. 1; J. A. Page, June 2; T. Ferguson, Nov. 3; W. J. Curle, Dec. 10. 369.—F. V. Winter, Aug. 22; J. D. Spears, Nov. 1; O. L. Hicks, Dec. 23; A. McLeod, May 30. 371.—M. W. Boucher, Feb. 20; S. Pearpoint, Feb. 24; H. Armstrong, Oct. 17. 372.—W. W. Near, June 18. 373.—O. Lambert, Feb. 20; G. Varley, June 18; W. G. Somerville, Sept. 12; I. L. Atkins, Oct. 25; C. Beck, Oct. 27; W. E. Hanna, Dec. 13. 375.—H. Findley, June 3; T. H. McQuade, Sept. 29; A. Laidley, Dec. 5. 376.—T. Lakeman, Jan. 30; J. N. Shearer, March 26; E. W. Lockman, Sept. 25; R. E. Waller, Sept. 25; R. A. Anderson, Dec. 12; R. W. Boyd, Dec. 24. 377.—T. S. Harris, Oct. 4; W. K. Johnston, Aug. 14. 378.—A. Gifford, Feb. 13; A. Bentley, March 17; C. R. David, Dec. 26; H. O. Wiley, Sept. 30; J. Kincaid, Dec. 28. 379.—B. E. Sifton, July —; H. McGuffin, July —. 380.—M. J. Maitland, Feb. 11; T. Rick, May 26; A. E. Somerville, June 5; A. E. Moses, July 17; S. F. Wood, Aug. 3; E. Barrell, Nov. 16; R. Lawson, Dec. 25. 382.—J. Voce, March 1; R. Marsh, April 25; E. C. Mosher, May 15; P. Erskine, Oct. 16; T. Johnston, Nov. 18; J. D. Barber, July 29; C. S. Kilgour, Dec. 30. 383.—M. Durant, Feb. 22; R. Reddick, Oct. 12. 384.—E. J. Voss, Jan. 6; W. B. Shilton, Jan. 26; D. Robertson, Feb. 17; B. W. Tobin, April 21; E. R. French, June 7; A. Riley, Sept. 14; R. Thompson, Sept. 19; A. A. Earl, Oct. 28; 385.—R. Allan, Aug. 25. 388.—J. G. Martin, Mar. 12. 389.—

R. Flood, Dec. 8. 391.—H. Dell, Sept. 17; W. Purdy, Nov. 12; J. A. C. Anderson, Dec. 4. 392.—W. P. McFarlane, Sept. 29; D. Greenleese, Oct. 1. 395.—J. Tilton, May 5; W. C. Scherer, Sept. 25. 396.—L. M. Ely, April 30; S. J. Cameron, Sept. 30. 397.—W. W. Miller, Nov. 13. 398.—G. Harrison, March 29. 400.—W. M. Cunningham, Jan. 5; W. A. Buckle, Oct. 15; C. Taylor, Oct. 20. 401.—W. H. Harvey, Oct. 20. 402.—J. M. Hicks, July 2; J. S. Burdick, July 31; E. L. Park, Jan. 30. 403.—J. S. Edgar, July 25; R. A. Lutton, Oct. 4; W. Halton, Oct. 25; W. W. Trizzell, Dec. 27; J. Ducket, Feb. 7; J. E. Laughlin, Jan. 13; W. B. Price, March 6; W. Revill, March 25; W. H. Adams, May 11; A. E. Wilkinson, June 11. 404.—J. K. Henry, Jan. 18. 405.—R. Shanks, Dec. 23. 406.—G. D. Martin, April 18. 408.—W. Veale, July 25; W. Burgess, Aug. 5. 409.—C. A. Gossage, Jan. 30; A. Jackson, Jan. 28. 410.—H. Dale, May 28; T. G. Malcolm, April 13; M. C. Turner, Feb. 21; C. A. Bradshaw, July 4; W. H. Farrell, Oct. 30; H. H. Tegart, Nov. 2; E. Jowett, Dec. 3; G. W. Ferguson, Sept. 23. 411.—F. Knight, Oct. 16. 412.—W. R. Henning, Jan. 4. H. J. Herrold, Feb. 11; B. Wilson, March 30; A. J. Parker, April 27; L. Ellis, May 1; J. A. Jones, July 4; J. C. Miller, Sept. 18; W. G. Grigg, Nov. 28; W. H. Edwards, Dec. 9. 413.—D. S. Jamieson, July 11; G. D. Katzman, Aug. 3; W. Ward, Jan. 3; J. W. Clark, March 16; G. Struthers, April 17. 414.—J. H. Alcock, Oct. 27; J. Weidman, Feb. 2; R. B. Creighton, March 27; J. K. Bridon, May 12; C. A. Moore, June 15; J. G. Reeves, June 22. 415.—A. McLean, May 25; G. Hartley, July 23; A. A. McArthur, Nov. 26; W. S. Peters, Nov. 30; J. A. Underhill, Oct. 28. 417.—A. Matchett, Oct. 29. 418.—G. A. Worman, Aug. 1. 419.—M. Hitchcock, Oct. 1; T. McKenzie, Nov. 4. 420.—W. M. Ross, Jan. 9. 421.—H. S. Hutchison, Jan. 25; G. H. Nodwell, Feb. 22; J. B. Mellor, April 26. 422.—G. Johns, Sept. 16. 423.—G. W. Shepherd, Aug. 18; H. B. Naismith, Nov. 20. 425.—H. P. Stover, June 23. 426.—H. Heynes, Aug. 4; A. Tighe, Nov. 25; J. Short, Dec. 23; I. C. Smith, March 11; J. T. Stoneman, April 1. 427.—M. G. Beath, March 18; S. G. Mallindine, Feb. 17. 428.—R. J. Hart, Feb. 17; W. J. Holmes, March 22; J. F. Black, Jan. 6. 430.—A. B. Cooks, Jan. 19; W. R. Walters, Oct. 13; R. G. Kerr, Sept. 25; J. B. Newport, Sept. 9; F. J. Creber, Sept. 1. 432.—H. H. Henney, Jan. 2; M. J. Muter, Aug. 6. 434.—W. L. Lewis, Jan. 17; G. F. Hill, Feb. 22; R. H. Flavell, Aug. 14. 435.—E. W. Williams, Jan. 25; G. D. Dart, Nov. 3. 437.—J. Symons, June 28; J. Cowie, Feb. 15; J. J. Murphy, May 29; A. S. Brown, April 8; S. F. Marsden, Feb. 1; G. Down, Jan. 27. 438.—T. McQueen, Feb. 21; H. Weetman, June 6; C. H. Haystead, Jan. 4; W. J. McRae, May 18; W. H. M. Bruce, July 21; J. J. Watson, Aug. 1; B. Robinson, Oct. 30. 439.—D. T. McLennan, June 19. 440.—A. McKay, March 19; M. Brown, July 12. 441.—J. R. Correll, April 10; D. P. Alguire, April 17. W. Durrell, Dec. 1. 444.—W. D. Taylor, March 14. 446.—T. G. Pridaux, March 13. 447.—W. R. Patterson, Jan. 12; G. Buffet, Dec. 31. 448.—G. E. Mills, March 4; J. A. M. Jeffery, April 23; R. M. McNeillage, Sept. 4. 449.—E. E. Hockridge, Dec. 11. 450.—G. H. Todd, March 15. 452.—J. S. Munro, Dec. 13. 453.—G. W. Brown, July 26. 454.—R. H. Menzies, Sept. 3. 455.—O. Hinds, Feb. 27; F. G. Flesher, Feb. 1. 456.—G. A. Colightly, April 19. 457.—J. Holmes, Jan. 16; G. H. Rumball, Feb. 5; D. Fletcher, April 8. 462.—E. S. McEwen, Feb. 10. 464.—J. Thompson, June 6. 465.—R. T. Hobbs, May 28. 468.—N. F. Davidson, Nov. 1. 469.—D. J. McLeod, April 3; H. B. Austin, May 14; W. O. Bockeloh, Oct. 18. 471.—J. A. Greenwood, April 14. 472.—J. Wismer, Feb. 15; D. Beatty, July 27. 473.—D. Bates, June 3. 474.—A. Mavety, Nov. 4; G. H. Large, Dec. 11; A. B. Conron, Dec. 4; J. H. Charles, Jan. 6; J. T. Belcher, Jan. 26; T. W. Robinson, May 6. 475.—C. T. Begin, March 28; A. A. Mullings, June 20; G. Clements, March 16. 476.—J. Kerr, Jan. 3; J. R. Wallace, April 21; E. Butler, Nov. 16. 479.—H. Kenney, Jan. 27; O. C. Simpson, Aug. 14. 480.—E. M. Casselman, May 27. 481.—E. E. King, April 28. 482.—W. A. Ward, March 8; W. M. Price, Aug. 30; W. Detlor, Oct. 27. 485.—G. A. Bagshaw, Feb. 26; H. D. Bradley, May 29; A. S. MacDonald, July 25. 486.—H. Martin, Jan. 6; A. A. Munro, May 3; G. C. Bowman, Feb. 13; P. H. Findlay, Sept. 18; W. T. Shellard, Oct. 8. 489.—W. A. Edwards, Sept. 21. 490.—J. A. Murdoch, Jan. 13. 491.—W. Anderson, Jan. 3. 492.—H. McDonald, Feb. 26; J. G. Miblett, May 10. 493.—W. Hall, Oct. 6; W. A. Sutherland, Sept. 21. 494.—E. L. Forbes, April 3; M. Schultz, April 27; R. W. Brennan, Dec. 15. 495.—H. D. Lockhart, Jan. 21; R. Miller, May 17; J. H. Branton, Oct. 20. 496.—W. F. B. Rubiged, June 12; J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 24. 497.—R. R. Stocker, April 3; W. H. Post, Dec. 28. 498.—J. B. White, June 5. 499.—F. B. Allen, Aug. 23; H. B. Smith, Oct. 27; W. A. McCarthy, Aug. 3; T. Bosler, July 15. 500.—W. J. Burns, Sept. 1; W. Hatton, Oct. 25; G. E. Rason, Dec. 24. 501.—F. N. Smith, Nov. 4; O. L. Hicks, Dec. 23; J. N. Black, April 28. 502.—H. C. Farr, March 18; T. N. Vance, Nov. 28. 503.—

J. W. Smith, Feb. 26; I. Rush, April 7. 504.—M. D. Marshall, April.—505.—W. E. Wilson, Oct. 26; W. A. Weaver, Oct. 20. 506.—R. W. Moore, Jan. 12; P. H. Findlay, May 16. 508.—O. V. Zavitz, Aug. 15. 510.—S. R. Hughes, Nov. 12. 514.—G. F. Underhill, Jan. 12; A. R. Ibbotson, March 22; J. R. Lipscombe, May 29; C. N. Marks, June 24; D. L. Hill, Dec. 15. 517.—A. Fleming, May 23; R. H. Grant, Dec. 26. 518.—J. Bentley, Aug. 28; J. W. Walsh, Nov. 22. 519.—A. W. VanSickle, Dec. 29. 520.—W. E. Gale, March 24. 521.—W. S. Bell, Jan. 6; G. C. Faatz, Feb. 9; E. S. Wall, June 9. 522.—M. G. D. Greenberg, Jan. 1. 523.—K. G. Lech, March 18. 524.—A. H. McFadden, April 7; J. W. Thompson, April 19; E. H. G. Guthrie, Oct. 28; W. H. Arms, Dec. 26. 525.—G. Robinson, Nov. 12; N. P. Ryan, May 22. 526.—B. M. Derry, Aug. 22; J. A. Glen, Aug. 29; E. P. V. Maguire, Oct. 31; 527.—W. Courtremarche, May 5. 529.—D. G. McAlpine, Nov. 25; L. Stilson, June 18. 530.—M. O. T. Griffith, Nov. 9. 531.—J. P. Griggs, May 12; R. J. Sockett, Aug. 27; D. Morrison, Sept. 27. 432.—G. T. Gwyn, Feb. 13. 533.—H. J. Bower, May 3; A. W. Allingham, Sept. 20; C. A. V. Kemp, June 29; W. Doughty, Nov. 8. 535.—F. Kinsman, Feb. 15; S. R. Hansler, June 19; J. S. Robertson, July 7. 537.—W. G. Ovell, Jan. 24; A. T. Spencer, Jan. 26; R. Wallace Dec. 23; J. P. Davidson, May 15; J. G. Card, May 3; W. H. Candy, Sept. 29. 538.—R. Hadley, May 3. 540.—W. P. Snell, Feb. 19; H. J. C. Chapman, Feb. 13; A. E. Hodgson, June 29. 541.—J. C. Brandon, June 23. 543.—A. T. Colwell, Feb. 14; W. Gayton, July 28; J. Beck, Dec. 5. 545.—A. H. Peacock, April 7; T. Unsworth, May 12; D. Bates, June 3; W. R. Walters, Oct. 14. 547.—J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 16. 548.—E. I. Johnson, June 16; A. Francis, Dec. 10. 549.—G. F. Elliott, Oct. 7. 550.—G. Tait, Jan. 5; J. Sangster, Aug. 14. 551.—R. H. Oliver, Sept. 23. 552.—A. Farrell, March 25. 553.—N. E. Sheffer, Sept. 29; E. S. McBurney, Nov. 27. W. G. Sanderson, Jan. 5. 554.—W. Hatton, Oct. 17. 555.—W. A. McKay, Feb. 3; R. J. McNeil, Dec. 19. 558.—M. H. Pettypiece, Oct. 30; J. M. Potts, Feb. 1. 559.—A. J. Levitt, May 23; M. Phillips, Aug. 17; J. Kates, Sept. 1. 560.—W. McGhee, Feb. 12; J. Chalmers, Feb. 19; J. Woodside, Sept. 3. 561.—C. McBurney, Jan. 14; J. V. Manley, Oct. 20; W. Joynt, Nov. 2; R. H. Grant, Oct. 26; J. Kincaid, Dec. 27. 562.—G. Boothland, March 26; H. J. Branton, Oct. 22. 556.—E. A. McMullin, May 13; C. D. Ware, Sept. 7. 564.—R. Ingram, May 4; A. H. Phillips, May 28. 565.—T. K. Snary, March 8; R. McAllister, June 7; A. Cameron, Aug. 16; C. P. Egsgard, Sept. 29; A. L. MacKay, Oct. 6. 566.—R. Marshall, Oct. 2. 567.—D. Bates, June 2. 568.—J. R. Brigham, June 2. 569.—P. H. Harris, April 13. 570.—J. D. Sinclair, Nov. 4. 571.—P. K. Perry, Feb. 11; E. A. Jones, April 27. 572.—A. G. Houghton, March 5. 573.—R. Schlender, Nov. 27. 574.—C. D. Kent, April 4. 575.—L. R. Mill, Feb. 21; R. Manser, May 6; C. Warren, June 10. 576.—J. Say, Sept. 24; W. R. Walters, Oct. 14. 577.—E. W. Matthews, April 23; C. S. Wilson, Oct. 14; W. Gray, Nov. 19. 579.—W. Hatton, Oct. 25; R. D. Ferguson, Nov. 27. 581.—M. MacGregor, May 29. 582.—W. R. Barton, March 24; A. Minnock, March 17; E. E. Shier, July 11; J. Dunn, Oct. 10. 583.—G. W. Driver, March 7; W. H. Noyes, Nov. 2; J. W. Hickson, Dec. 8. 584.—J. A. Fife, Dec. 5. 585.—J. S. Johnston, July —. 586.—J. Webster, Sept. 11. 587.—F. G. Mills, Sept. 21. 588.—A. R. MacRae, May 21. 589.—J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 16; G. A. Barton, Nov. 24; W. A. Moore, June 12. 591.—G. E. Sheppard, March 1; J. J. Madden, Oct. 28. 593.—R. Bertram, Nov. 9; W. H. Bruce, Nov. 18; G. G. Bolton, April 1; W. Crighton, March 16; W. Allison, Jan. 8; J. W. Allum, April 14. 594.—E. Bull, May 5; E. Taylor, Dec. 22. 598.—H. D. Copeman, March 3; G. A. Courtney, May 24; W. Grant, Jan. 11. 600.—T. N. Hopkins, April 23; J. T. Norton, June 27; J. Herb, Sept. 11; H. Vigras, Oct. 23. 601.—T. Paul, Oct. 8. 602.—A. W. Leney, Aug. 11; J. T. Valliant, Nov. 18. 604.—M. A. Campbell, April 7; P. W. Morgan, Oct. 24; C. H. Bailey, July 28. 606.—A. G. Hunt, April 2. 607.—J. H. Dunlop, Sept. 16. 609.—C. R. McTavish, April 11. 610.—E. E. Graham, Feb. 11. 611.—J. A. Sutherland, July 14; J. Beck, Dec. 6. 613.—A. R. Ellis, Dec. 27. 615.—E. W. Near, June 21; C. H. Haun, Nov. 10. 617.—H. Martin, Jan. 6. 619.—J. Brown, May 26; E. J. Johnson, June 16; J. A. Short, July 21. 622.—S. G. Mallindine, Feb. 17. 623.—M. S. McDonald, Jan. 19; G. Drew 624.—A. E. Hadocek, Dec. 23. 625.—W. R. Henning, Jan.—. 629.—E. B. Griffin, July 23; H. Curry, Sept. 6; A. W. Allingham, Sept. 22. 630.—J. H. Hogg, April 14. 631.—A. F. Cameron, Dec. 1. 63.—J. A. Knight, June 11. 63.—P. E. Hart, Sept. 10. 636.—W. A. McCarthy, Aug. 3. 637.—J. Forsyth, Aug. 27. 638.—J. F. Bremner, Dec. 28; F. S. Coon, Feb. 7; A. McKinlay, June 1. 642.—W. E. Flood, June 7. 646.—A. H. Cupples, July 10. 648.—C. J. Pierce, Sept. 13; G. McIntosh, Feb. 8; W. A. Reid, April 14. 649.—G. Terry, June 7. 650.—M. D. Marshall, April 19. 652.—J. Cooper, Sept. 25. Scarboro (U.D.)—G. Bell, Aug. 3.

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Niagara "B".....	Fred Trelford.....	Niagara Falls
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South Huron.....	L. Russell Coles.....	Hensall
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Toronto "B".....	Frank McK. Chapman.....	Pickering
Toronto "C".....	Frederick C. Irwin.....	Leaside
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Windsor.....	John Thurlow.....	Windsor

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" W. J. Henry.....	Peterborough
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WILLIAM NISBET PONTON, P.G.M.

Belleville, July, 1931.

ALABAMA

Robert F. Lovelady, M.W. Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Before the meeting the "prelude" was held with the Order of the Eastern Star, in which apparently the Grand Master reached the Grand East under petticoat escort:

Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Alabama, Mrs. Pearle Maynard, and her staff of Grand and Past Grand Officers visited the Grand Lodge immediately before the opening hour.

At 7 p.m., December 2nd, the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Robert F. Lovelady, was escorted to the East by Mrs. Minnie Gussenbauer, Page of the Grand Chapter O. E. S.

The One Hundred and tenth Communication was held in Montgomery, December 2nd, 1930. Nine Past Grand Masters present and the Representative of Canada, Ethridge J. Garrison reporting for duty.

These encouraging words under discouraging circumstances were uttered by the Grand Master as a sort of cheerio and challenge in his address:

"It is right and proper that we should adopt our modes and methods of living and thinking as Masons to the latest and best development and knowledge of those eternal truths and basic principles upon which our Order is founded Only by so doing has Masonry survived.

Let us plan for the future with a unity of thought and purpose which will exclude everything of sordidness, personal ambitions, or self aggrandizement so that those who come after us in future generations may find no imperfections in our work but find it well done and a worthy foundation to which their labors may with safety be added.

The whole country has, during the past year, suffered a period of depression, mentally and spiritually as well as in business and finances, but the pages of our past history show many a darker spot. Let us not be dismayed, but let us take heart from the pages of past history and know that brighter times are sure to come and that we must keep the faith and carry on the work for those who are to follow. The world has nothing but scorn for a "Quitter". Let the epithet never be applied to any Mason.

A new Nursery Building for the little ones Grand Lodge is called upon to care for, was erected by the O. E. S. at the Masonic Home.

He notes under recommendations a growing trouble:

I have had considerable trouble with lodges during the year on account of their not assuring themselves that petitions for affiliation or transfer are from regular lodges.

This from his conclusion:

The Grand Master is a twenty-four hour a day servant and I have tried to render that service with a smile. It has been a pleasure to serve you as Grand Master and the experience has taught me many things—things which no one could know until he had had laid upon his shoulders the care, the burden and the responsibility for the Craft of the State.

Thus, with sunshine and rain, with joy and sorrow, the year has passed, but the pleasure has been greater by far than the pain and the rose is always sweeter, more beautiful and larger for the thorns on its stem. I shall remember the beauty and fragrance of the rose long after the prick of the thorns has healed and been forgotten.

Women fill a large place in Alabama. The Committee on the Grand Master's address say:

Men can build houses and help make homes but there can be no real homes without the loving co-operation and assistance of our women. Women can build and furnish.

Grand Orator Dillard delivered an address on "A Kaleidoscopic View of Free Masonry:"

Yet some see little in it. The reason is they have scarcely learned their Masonic abcs. A small boy fell out of his bed nearly every night. His distressed mother couldn't understand it. The little fellow explained by saying, "I'll tell you why I do it. It is because I go to sleep too close to where I get in."

Masonry is kaleidoscopic in its character. It may be viewed in many ways and every way we look at it it is wonderful and worth while.

Masonry is a historic ritualism. This ritualism has been gathered from the ends of the earth and epitomizes a long and glorious history.

Masonry is a noble morality.

Masonry is a fundamental religion.

Masonry is a universal brotherhood.

Masonry is a beneficent philanthropy.

Masonry is a philosophic symbolism.

Masonry is a profound allegory. The first degree tells the story of birth and childhood and youth.

Many pages are devoted to the Masonic Home, the aim being:

Some of our objectives for the year are: Respect for property and feeling of others, worthy use of leisure time, and dependability.

Robert F. Lovelady was re-elected Grand Master.

William Bourne Clemmons again ably edited the Foreign Correspondence and Reviews. He said in his introduction:

This report is written primarily for the Masons of Alabama but I suspect that it is read by more Masons outside the State than by those within it.

I would like to again request the criticism of every Mason in Alabama as to the content of this report.

Last year he told me that my report was too long and every Mason in Alabama believes what George A. Beauchamp says, therefore the report WAS too long.

He explains that Ministers have always been initiated in Alabama without the payment of any fee and therefore it is carrying out old tradition, but now they have to pay a \$10.00 fee for the Masonic Home, which they will no doubt be proud and glad to do.

This touch under British Columbia:

Like several of the other Grand Lodges in the British Empire it styles itself "Antient".

We cannot say that we agree with the following under California. If Scottish folk are tenacious of their rights it does not become Craftsmen to blame them. They only live up to the ideal of "men who know their rights, and knowing dare maintain":

A fine relief work is carried on by the California Masons and I find that the life member of Scottish Lodges is giving trouble as he is in other parts of the world.

Recognition was granted to four German Grand lodges.

Canada is generously reviewed. This should please the Grand Master:

The portrait of Grand Master Roderick B. Dargavel adorns the opening page of the proceedings. He is good to look at with his handsome face and gorgeous regalia.

It is noted that the late Sir John Morrison Gibson was soldier, statesman, financier, educationalist, industrialist, lawyer, churchman. It is also noted that a fee is no longer to be charged for dispensation to attend Divine Service. Salvation is free. Our recognition of Foreign Grand lodges is referred to. The poem from the Report of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead entitled "The Journey's End", is reprinted. He kindly and encouragingly refers to this Reviewer as one who very carefully makes worthwhile comment and chooses interesting extracts. Referring to our list of Alabama's curious names he has this interesting comment to make, which enables us to see ourselves as others see us:

The names Autauga, Wetumpka, Lozahatchee, Eastaboga, Chattahoochee, Sylacauga, Coosa, Talladega, Weogufka and Conecuh we have inherited from the local place names of the Cherokee and Uchee (Creek) Indians who once inhabited Alabama. Demopolis is a combination of two Greek words meaning "City of the People". Burnt Corn is in memory of a historic event in the early history of the State. We have nothing to say in defense of Hardy Howle, Hoke's Bluff and Shades Valley. These names sound no stranger to our distinguished brother from Canada than the following names selected from the list in Canada sound to us: Cataraqui, Madawaska, Muskoka, Nipissing, Nitekis, Temiskaming, Penewobikong, Kaministiquia and Todmorden. These are probably Indian names but they are not familiar to us. As bad as Hardy Howle is from a euphonistic standpoint I don't believe it is any worse than Hornepayne, and Hoke's Bluff sounds about as well as Thunder Bay.

Under England we read:

It is very difficult for me to write an intelligent review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of England. They send out slender pamphlets for each quarterly meeting with half of the contents given over to the long list of honorary office-holders in the Grand Lodge.

The "Hall Stone Jewels" mentioned above are special jewels issued to a Lodge when it has raised its quota in contributions for the Masonic Peace Memorial.

The British dearly love a title and every order and every degree to which a man is entitled is carefully placed after his name in all lists. The list of members of the Grand Lodge look as if a case of assorted alphabets had been sprinkled on the pages with their names.

The salary of the Grand Secretary and his chief clerk were raised to a very handsome figure 2,500 and 1,250 pounds respectively.

The Mother Grand Lodge of the World is faithful and active in all lines of Masonic endeavor.

This from Florida:

When Masons desecrate that hallowed, awful name, the Fraternity feels that dumb wound which Nature feels when a blossomed bough is broken.

This from Georgia:

The Grand Master presented a very eloquent address. I always expect a great deal of speech-making in Georgia but in the case of Grand Master Raymund Daniel it reaches true eloquence.

A touch or two of interest from Illinois:

Clubs deriving their membership from the Masonic fraternity are using the name of Masonry for their Sunday

outings. A Masonic lodge may meet on Sunday for no other purpose than to administer the last sad rites, and these clubs should refrain from the Masonic reference in their publicity.

I do delight to see great Masons in politics, and it gives the Free Masons of Missouri an unusual thrill to know that the Grand Master of Illinois has been selected to fill the highest office in your State.

Of two of Ireland's three jewels our colleague speaks thus:

The Masonic Female Orphan School and the Masonic Orphan Boys' School both seem to be in good condition. A number of honors and scholarships have been won by students from both institutions.

This from Maine:

Say rather than my morn has just begun,
I greet the dawn and not a setting sun,
When all is done.

This from Manitoba:

Plain living and high thinking are no more—
The homely beauty of the good old cause
Is gone—our peace, our simple innocence,
And pure religion, breathing household laws.

Of one well known and esteemed by all of us here in Canada he says under Michigan:

Grand Chaplain submitted the Obituary Report without reading it and it is included in the proceedings and I have enjoyed reading it even if he did intimate that it would "be relegated to that innocuous desuetude which is said to be the fate of so much that is committed to Grand Lodge Proceedings."

Grand Chaplain Gallagher, writes the Correspondence. The origin of the phrase "Let 'er go Gallagher" must have been coined when he was given this appointment. He uses over 400 pages in his report.

Banquet night is reprinted in full:

But once in so often, the messenger brings
Solomon's mandate: "Forget these things!
Brother to Beggars and Fellow to Kings,
Companion of Princes—forget these things!
Fellow-Craftsmen, forget these things!

A gem from Nevada:

God send us men whose aim 'twill be
Not to cherish some ancient creed,
But to live out the laws of right
In thought and word and deed.
God give us men with hearts aflame,
All truth to love, all wrong to hate.

These are the patriots nations need,
These are the bulwarks of the state.

Of the speeches in New York of the Grand Masters of Massachusetts and New Jersey and the special Representative of Czecho-Slovakia this sly dig will be appreciated:

The first two made addresses to the Grand Lodge and the third made a much better speech than is sometimes heard in a Grand Lodge. In reply to an ovation when he was introduced he simply said: "Thank you very much."

A word of praise under New Zealand:

A great deal of space is given to the program of installation which must be a very beautiful and impressive ceremony when given with all the British thoroughness with music, parade, oration, salute and ceremony. It stands out in contrast to the hasty and slipshod way in which most Grand Lodge Officers are installed in Alabama.

A clipping from Wisconsin review:

And if a Brother falters at the Temple of his soul,
Or if a Brother wrongly reads the plans upon the scroll
Or wanders from the beaten path, Oh, humbly I
implore

That you still the words of censure and unbolt the
Temple door.

Membership 48,354. Net loss 3,079. Our Alabama brethren bear it bravely but it gives us pause.

Frederick J. Skinner represents Alabama.

ALBERTA

Rev. Canon S. H. Middleton, M.W. Grand Master.

J. H. W. S. Kemmis, M.W. Grand Secretary.

Seven Past Grand Masters graced the Grand East at the twenty-fifth Annual Communication which was opened in "The Lodge" Jasper National Park, June 11th, 1930.

Canada was represented by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson of Lethbridge.

The Grand Master, as was to have been expected from one who had even before his own election, left his impress broad and deep upon Masons of at least two Provinces, said:

I presented M.W. Bro. Mitchell with a set of Past Grand Master's regalia. This was indeed a most pleasing duty, for I was well assured that the presentation was fully merited after his having hewn such a broad and courageous path, during his year as Grand Master. "Concilio et Animis."

Men seldom attain all the objectives toward which they strive, Perhaps the goal was unattainable, but I still

maintain that it is better—far better—to fail in striving for a high ideal than to succeed in planting something low and ignoble.

The easy path in the lowlands
Hath little of grand or new,
But the steep ascent leads on
To a wide and glorious view.

To meet here at Jasper Park—Canada's National Playground—the top of the world, "Far from the madding crowd," in the midst of God's scenic wonders, I am reminded that—

"Our footsteps press, where centuries ago,
The red men fought and conquered,
Lost and won."

Mountains sharply gabled rear their sawtooth edges to the clouds. Prehistoric glaciers lie shelved above precipices, down from which numerous waterfalls cascade from everlasting snow in misty torrents and rainbow traceries. Blasted pines with their scarred tops, which seem to have stood for centuries, tend to remind us of the prophets of old with upward pointing fingers. Myriad wild flowers in profusion carpet the very path we tread.

In the midst of this majestic grandeur we realize the emotion of standing on holy ground—awe and reverence seem to take possession and we understand why the human heart, tossed about by worldly care, finds solace in the silent sympathy of Nature.

Each night that receives us into slumber, pictures the dreamless sleep that comes after the fatigue of life's battles and burdens.

Following so close on the completion of the splendid Temple in Calgary one is tempted to add that financially, Masonry in the cities is very strong. It likewise exhibits great strength intellectually and spiritually.

A normal increase has again become established. The "Joiners"—"erstwhile members of a club" to whom our teachings had no appeal—failing to measure up to the standard of our Order, have taken their dimits and like Noah's dove are hovering around seeking a resting place more suited to their ideas of fellowship.

Of visitations to sister Jurisdictions he says:

The visit to an American Grand Lodge was of great interest, first from an educational standpoint, second from the international aspect.

He ruled with a firm hand with regard to Dispensations, as the following will show:

I refused to grant dispensation to re-ballot on three candidates after a regular ballot had been taken and the W. M. having declared the ballot unfavorable.

Dispensation was refused to "run off a class of five" at less time than that required by the Constitution.

I ruled that the question of extending official recognition to the "Order of De Molay" should be referred to Grand Lodge.

I refused to grant the request of a brother to publish Masonic information concerning the activities of this Grand Jurisdiction.

I refused to grant dispensation to confer a degree on three candidates within the period prescribed by the Constitution.

I ruled that a brother occupying the position of W.M. of a lodge (U.D.) for a period of nine months and then severing his connection therewith was not entitled to the rank of Past Master.

I refused to grant dispensation to hold a Masonic funeral for a brother who was suspended at the time of his death.

I ruled that a "collective ballot" taken for three candidates was irregular and ordered an individual ballot to be taken.

Of the birth of Grand Lodge and the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary he says:

Alberta at that date, as a place of authentic history, was but in swaddling clothes, just a month old. To-day, she ranks as the most progressive Province in the whole Dominion.

He has these thoughtful words on Suspensions:

Suspension, while it lasts, is practically the same a expulsion, inasmuch as for the time being the brother concerned is absolutely without any Masonic rights or privileges. I feel convinced that if the brethren realized the real significance of being suspended, there would be fewer cases brought to our notice. No Mason should take self-righteous comfort in the oft-heard claim "Once a Mason always a Mason" for such a statement is misleading and has no significance. Some men admitted to the Fraternity never become Masons.

Unfortunately, many members do not give their all, being drones in the hive of industry, who are content to leave to others work they should do. They have laboriously learned the letter of the ritual at the sacrifice of the spirit that animated the phrases.

Just as no man has the right to demand that he be made a Mason, neither should he be accorded the privilege of remaining a Mason if he has become through his own neglect and indifference a charge on the Fraternity at large.

He urges an educational campaign.

Make every visit Educational, and emphasize at least, one or all of the following points:—

1. Educational—Explain the "Why", "Wherefore" and "How", etc. of the apparent ambiguities of Masonic ceremonies and ritual.

Quell no brother's curiosity to ask questions, but rather stimulate his desire for further research.

Non-Affiliated Masons—Let it be widely known that a non-affiliated brother is deprived of all Masonic privileges. Extend a personal invitation to these brethren to apply for affiliation. Masonry needs active members, not sleeping partners.

Loyalty—To the ORDER and to COUNTRY. Suggest that tangible evidence be shown by displaying a Flag in the lodge room.

In some cases they were letter perfect and the rendition was all that could be desired, but the "How", "Why" and "Wherefore" seem to pass understanding. Herein, I am led to believe from observation, lies our future strength for the District Meetings.

He comments thus on non-attendance at meetings:

We cannot raise men to a higher plane than our own level, and neither can we have good successful lodges unless we are more enthusiastic ourselves. When listening to the complaints about non-attendance I sometimes think we are in need of a new vision, because it is of paramount importance that the candidate should be imbued with a deep sense of reverence for the Order.

Under Masonic Meanderings we read:

During the past year I have travelled 11,059 miles in the execution of my duty. Every mile post has carried with it a genuine hand shake and a blessing from every lodge.

He believes in the King, the Flag and the Craft, expressing them illustratively thus:-

When visiting a certain city lodge ;(whose fame has long since crossed the lines of our own jurisdiction), I was requested at the closing to stand aside. Immediately afterwards the officers left their stations assembled around the altar and participated in a short, yet very impressive ceremony of saluting the "Colours", at the close of which one verse of the National Anthem was sung. The whole act was carried out with dignity and precision, and was a visible display of loyalty. The V. O. T. S. L. indicating allegiance to the Most High and the Flag, symbol of King and Country, were thus conjoined together together in one act of faith and loyalty. In many lodges the flag is never seen, yet in thinking later about this rather impressive ceremony,

it was borne upon me that the very nature of our obligation as Masons is such that no opportunity should be omitted to renew and ever keep before us the allegiance we owe to our country and to manifest everywhere and at all times our respect and veneration for the symbol of a great Dominion and a still greater Empire. Therefore, believing that every Mason should be loyal to his country, true to his government and obedient to its laws, I would urgently suggest that as a stimulus and means to that end, a Canadian Flag be displayed by each lodge at its every meeting.

Of "The Challenge of Masonry to Modern Thought" we read:

The prevailing interest of our time is social. We have come to see, more clearly than any other age that no man liveth to himself.

Be just and fear not.

Let all the ends thou aim'st at be thy country's—
thy God's and truth's.

Then if thou fall'st, thou fall'st a blessed martyr.

Take the Compass and inscribe within its circle and diameter all that is worthy and true; exclude from its circumference the unworthy and unjust. Bid selfishness step not across its bounds.

It is a new day. May our ancient Order stand like the burning bush on the plains of Midian, which would not be consumed, and as the bush sent forth flames which leaped into the heart of Moses and filled him with renewed power, so may Alberta Free-Masonry send forth messages which will stir and bless.

The D.D.G.M's of 17 Districts reported fully and frankly.

Membership 14,047. Net increase 327.

Grand Librarian Kemmis reports progress.

A portion of the address by Bro. Col. The Rev. George A. Wells, C. M. G., Warden of St. John's College, Winnipeg, makes us wish for the whole. He spoke thus on the "Bonds of Empire"

Each separate part has its power because of its relation to the whole. The story of the "bundle of sticks" may well illustrate the position of the Empire. While the bundle remains bound together no strength can break it. Cut the bonds and anyone can destroy the parts.

The second greatest Bond of Empire is the common flag. Only a sentiment, some will say.

The third Bond of Empire is a common language.

The spirit of the Regiment is the greatest factor in action, and the spirit remains after the group passes on. So in Empire life, the Boy Scouts, the Girl Guides, the

Christian Church, have played, and are playing, a great part in keeping alive the best in our traditions and in keeping together the different parts of the Empire.

There is another Bond which we would do well to mark. It is what I would call a national spirit in international organizations.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations recommend the recognition of Norway and a modified recognition of Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, Finland, Rumania and Vienna, the limits being thus expressed:

That this group of Grand Lodges be accredited in the sense that Masons who are members of lodges under their jurisdiction shall be deemed to have received the recognized work, and that this Grand Lodge permit our constituent lodges to receive visitors, bringing proper credentials, who hail from these Grand Lodges, and that such Masons be permitted to affiliate with lodges in our jurisdiction, subject however to compliance with the regulations or constitutional provisions in force with reference thereto, both in the jurisdiction from which they hail and in this jurisdiction.

Many other Jurisdictions applied but the Committee were not ready to recommend them until they had been placed in possession of fuller information as to the origin, history, basic principles and ritualistic practice of these Grand Lodges. They expressed this opinion in reply to some economical criticism as to Reviews generally:

Your committee, considers that the publication of the Annual Review, of the Proceedings of sister Grand Lodges is very well worth the expense involved, not only from the standpoint of the fraternal contacts it gives us with the remainder of the Masonic world, but also in the educational advantages which are made available to our own Craft in this jurisdiction. It may be said that our Craft does not avail itself of its opportunities to such an extent as to justify the expense involved, but your committee would respectfully submit that the true answer to such comment lies in using every effort to encourage and direct the officers and members of our lodges to a closer study of this Annual Review.

The committee approves the Grand Master's ruling on the funeral of suspended brethren.

The Committee on Standards of Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges made an exhaustive study and reported in detail:

The proposed recognition of another jurisdiction may be measured by very widely diverging standards, insisting on one hand in the practice in spirit and letter of the forms and ceremonies, philosophy and land marks to which we are

accustomed or on the other hand in a more liberal light with due recognition of the custom of the country in which the Craft resides.

And then from the summarized rulings of other Grand Jurisdictions, summarize comprehensively their own requirements for Alberta.

Sylvester M. Snedden was elected Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. A. J. Young represents Alberta.

The new Masonic Temple in Calgary, a beautiful and substantial structure was glowingly described.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence is under the Chairmanship of P.G.M. Selwood but the Report itself is a symposium of the efforts of the members of a large committee.

Canada falls to the lot of H. C. Taylor, P.G.M., whose visit we remember with great pleasure.

He also reviews British Columbia, under which we read :

He states that during the year he was not called upon to make a single ruling.

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address congratulated him on this and as they say "we take the liberty of presenting to our Most Worshipful Grand Master a silk hat as a token of felicitation at this very unusual experience in the history of Grand Lodge."

We have heard of presenting a pair of white gloves to the presiding Judge on the opening of the Court, when there were no criminal cases.

From the review of Canada we take the following excerpts:

The Grand Master concludes his most interesting, eloquent and instructive address with a plea for Masons to take their proper place in the preservation of Peace and for the uplifting of humanity.

The reports of the District Deputies are exceptionally well written. In most of such reports the prominent place is given to a description of the banquet. In fact there seems to be little else than a procession of banquets.

As usual with this Grand Jurisdiction, the Report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry is most excellent.

In the Report on Fraternal Correspondence, Bro. Ponton gives us most interesting reading. He covers 64 Grand Jurisdictions. Alberta is fully and favorably reviewed. We look upon Canada as our Grandmother, for are we not the offspring of her daughter Manitoba?

Scotland, reviewed by the Grand Secretary, points the way to the Craft universal:

The reports of the District Grand Masters from overseas districts all speak of the harmony and fraternal feeling existing between the lodges of different constitutions, English, Irish and Scotch lodges working beside each other in friendly accord and not only that but in New Zealand and Australia working in harmony with the Grand Lodges now in existence there. These Masonic Bodies by this example of fraternity must be of great importance in the network of Masonry spread around the globe.
This from Virginia:

That no Mason shall be permitted to join any of the "parasite orders" whose membership is based on Masonic affiliation which may hereafter be organized in Virginia, nor may Masonic halls be rented to such orders. This did not of course refer to the recognized (so-called) "higher bodies" but to that innumerable list of satellites which bask in the effulgence of the Masonic ray.

ARIZONA

William Townley MacDonald, M.W. Grand Master.

Harry Arizona Drachman, V.W. Grand Secretary.

From the biography of the Grand Master we take this item of interest to all Canadians in the true north:

Recently Bro. MacDonald was offered a position in charge of the milling operations of the International Nickel Company of Canada, Ltd., one of the largest and most important mining companies in existence. He accepted this position and is now living at Copper Cliff, Ontario, Canada.

Many Communications were held, the laying of cornerstones in Arizona being a special function.

At this ceremony in Peoria Grand Orator Myers delivered an informative and interesting address from which space permits only the following extracts:

This made necessary a central place of meeting, a place where the youth could be tried, trained and taught the secret lore of the race. This building was first called the Men's House and while its rites were crude and often, no doubt, cruel, yet their intentions were to test men before intrusting to them treasures which had cost so much and must not be lost.

We were all deeply impressed by the thought given us by Grand Master MacDonald, on his visit, when he said that a building whether crude or magnificent, would still be only a building unless it was filled with the spirit of Men.

The sentiment of Brotherhood in a man's heart is a futile thing unless he can find avenues for its external expression.

Secretary Dillon at the laying of the placement stone of the Williams Masonic Temple, spoke heartily and educationally regarding this impressive public work of the Craft:

Corner stones are usually laid at the northeast corner of a building. The symbolic reason for this is that the ancient workingman considered the seat of Darkness to be in the North, and the seat of Wisdom in the East. The north east corner, therefore, symbolized the meeting place of Darkness and Light, and we still follow the custom laid down so many thousands of years ago.

Corner stones antedate the oldest of Masonic traditions for we read in the Book of Job, considered by some to be oldest book in the Bible, this question asked of Job by the Supreme Architect: "Where wast thou when I laid the foundations thereof fastened, or who laid the Cornerstone thereof?"

Tacitus, a Roman historian, tells us of the rebuilding of the Capitol at Rome, of the immense throngs and impressive ceremonies that attended the laying of the corner stone. The Jews, after their liberation from Babylon, went up to Jerusalem to rebuild the House of the Lord, the corner stone being laid amidst the joyous acclamations of the multitude. Always it was a joyous occasion, yet solemn and impressive.

Look not upon this Temple as something merely of stone, brick, metal and wood, but a symbol of that protection that Brotherly Love invokes, relief from dangerous elements, both natural and man made, and a True Haven when we are heartsick and weary.

Again at Phoenix the cornerstone of the City and County Buildings was laid by Masons, when the Grand Master said:

May I say in passing, that there have been found in buildings, in the ancient nations, the skeletons of human beings embedded in the walls—human sacrifices at the laying of cornerstones for the erection of buildings.

He was followed by Senator Carl Hayden, who as a public man and a Mason, addressed the great gathering:

Instead of being bound to the soil as serfs, forbidden by law to move from place to place, these Masons could freely travel in foreign parts and they came from everywhere when any great building was under construction. Therefore, they were called free masons. They took such pride in their freedom that it is one of the ancient landmarks of our order that no man shall be entered as an apprentice unless he be free born.

This building, fair, we dedicate,
As warder of both time and fate;
That as the full years onward sweep,

Eternal justice may not sleep;
But lend a glad attentive ear.

The Kingman Grammar School building cornerstone was laid when W. Bro. Jacobson as President and Past Master, spoke, saying:

The elders or masters taught the apprentices and fellows, not only the secrets of their trade, but used their tools, materials, and implements to teach the wise and serious truths of their belief in the One Creator and in the life hereafter. Those old masters did not fear their God but loved him and dared to raise their earthly eyes to their Creator to study and to imitate His Creation. How well they labored, how true was their work.

Bro. Wilde also delivered an oration from which we make the following extracts:

We are simply doing what our predecessors have done for untold centuries.

We do know that there were stone buildings erected by the Egyptians approximately 5,000 years B.C.; that the Egyptians and the Babylonians or Assyrians were the first builders, and that the use, and the purpose, and the meaning of the cornerstone were well known and held in reverence long before the building of Solomon's Temple, for we find it mentioned symbolically about 1,500 years B.C. in Genesis 49:24. Again by David, nearly 1000 B.C., in the 118th Psalm, 22. . . . and in much later days these same references are confirmed by the Apostles.

The great writer, Tacitus, describing the laying of the cornerstones, says that there was a procession of vestals, who, with chaplets of flowers, encompassed the ground and consecrated it with libations of living water, and adds that, after the solemn prayer, Helvidius "laid his hand upon the fillets that adorned the foundation stone, and also the cords by which it was to be drawn to its place. In that instant the magistrates, the priests, the senators, the Roman Knights and a number of citizens, all acting with one effort and general demonstration of joy, laid hold of the ropes and dragged the ponderous load to its destined spot. They then threw in ingots of gold, silver, etc."

Brethren sought for and they found that land, and at once they set up the cornerstone of their educational foundation—schools, and they prospered.

Thus has it ever been. Progress and success come with education, and to-day our neighbors upon the south—the people of Mexico—cry out for land and for schools.

The Forty-eighth Annual Communication was held at Douglas, February 11, 1930. Fourteen Past Grand Masters strengthening and encouraging the Grand East.

Canada was duly represented by Louis G. Moyers, who never fails to attend.

A message from Mexico was received as a symbol of brotherly love.

The Grand Master in the introduction of his address said:

Fortunately, I fancy for the great majority of Grand Masters, the Grand Secretaries are usually very capable men, often of long experience in office and they willingly assume, and lighten most appreciably, the duties that otherwise would fall upon the less efficient and less experienced shoulders of the Grand Master.

Let no one think, that I mean ever remotely to suggest countenancing the indiscriminate, and unwarranted, not to say in perhaps many cases, the perilously close to malicious or vindictive use of the black ball. That is an ever present possible evil and abuse of Masonic privilege which constant ly must be guarded against.

He has a word of praise for the Masonic Service Association. He is practical in his administration of relief:

Extension of acutely needed relief in such emergency cases, should always be rendered. If the Brother's home lodge refuses to make proper financial reimbursement to the assisting lodge, such fact, together with an official and full statement of all attending circumstances, should be made known to your Grand Master and he will then take such action as may appear advisable.

The Oracle Tubercular Home is doing great work.

He concludes with these verses:

You may delve down to rock for your foundation piers,
You may go with your steel to the sky;
You may purchase the best of the thought of all years
And the finest of workmanship buy;
You may crowd it with treasures from quarry and mine.
With the glories of brush and of pen,
But it's only a building—though ever so fine—
If it's lacking the Spirit of Men.

Membership 6,612. Net gain 180.

The Grand Lecturer urged the conferring of Degrees at Grand Lodge meetings, saying:

My thought on this subject is—that each year at the Grand Lodge will be found new Masters and Wardens who are anxious to see the work correctly rendered, and who perhaps have not seen any work outside of their own lodges.

Prescott State Bank having closed its doors, proceedings are being taken to recover Grand Lodge funds from the wreckage.

Grand Orator Myers spoke of the Three Fold Vision of Freemasonry, saying:

Masons may be divided into two classes: those who take Masonry as a matter of course and those who confront it with the eyes of inquiry and appraisal.

Freemasonry has been likened to sign-posts at the cross-roads of Life directing the thoughtful Mason in his pursuit after light and knowledge.

In confronting Masonry with eyes of inquiry and appraisal we will discover that its teachings contain a three-fold vision: first a vision of God, second a vision of Self, and third a vision of humanity, or a vision of service.

Man is dependent upon man in the attainment of the highest and best in Life.

The two formative and controlling agencies of human history are Religion and Business. To establish right relations between them is the main problem of civilization everywhere.

Amos Arthur Betts was elected Grand Master.

Fred Symes of Fort William, represents Arizona.

They have a Past Grand Masters' Association in Arizona who used this as the text of their meeting:

And he that walks life's thorny way
With feelings calm and even;
Whose path is lit from day to day
By virtue's right and steady ray,
Hath something felt of Heaven.

ARKANSAS

G. A. Warren, M.W. Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Several Emergent Communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year, two to conduct the funerals of Past Grand Masters and two for laying the cornerstones of Capitols and Court Houses.

At the funeral of M.W. Bro. Rosenbaum, Fay Hempstead paid his memory a poetical tribute from which we take one verse:

Sleep on, O friend, until the waking day;
And ever we who loved thy presence here
Will keep for thee, through changes manifold,
A tender memory, growing with the years.

The Eighty-ninth Communication was held in Albert Pike Memorial Temple in Little Rock, 18th November, 1930. Fourteen Past Grand Masters buttressed the Grand East.

Canada was duly represented by Bro. M. E. Bradford

The Grand Master's address does not lend itself to quotation but we cite the following passages:

I am giving you the ideas and Masonic truths I have gleaned during the year that I have been your Standard Bearer.

I fear we are letting other pleasure take us away from our Masonic duties; the automobile, the radio, the moving pictures and other attractions are drawing our membership from the lodge meeting.

Of the sixteen jurisdictions who do not allow a petition from a man who has a physical defect, eight of these slightly modify the law, so that under certain conditions the law may be set aside, leaving but eight states that permit no deviation from physical perfection.

We are now entering the hardest year the farming industry has experienced during the life of the State.

He thus describes the Shriners' Festival at Toronto—and lets in a little light.

The second pleasure trip I took was to Toronto as the guest of Al Amin Shrine, not only did the Shrine take me and pay all my expenses, but it took my wife, also, and I want to say that we appreciate this courtesy to the fullest. I do not recall another trip that we have enjoyed more than this trip to Canada. The courtesies shown me as Grand Master of Arkansas, while I was there, were many. I was invited to all of the first-class attractions.

The Grand Masters of Texas and Louisiana were welcomed and heard in felicitous speeches.

West Virginia warned Arkansas and all other Grand Jurisdictions against a clandestine lodge that had established itself and also against a pseudo Supreme Council of Sovereign Inspectors-General of the Thirty-third A. and A. S. who professed to have the power to confer the three Craft degrees.

The History Commission reported that they had added three pictures of Past Grand Masters to their splendid collection.

The President of the Trustees of the Orphans' Home and School said among other things:

I do not mean to be unkind nor unjust to any former Superintendent nor to the present incumbent, but the writer is much of the opinion that the Superintendency of our Home and responsibility for its operation is peculiarly a MAN'S JOB, and I am expressing the hope that when another change in administration is made some capable brother and his wife will be placed in charge there. Few women have the physical strength or executive ability—and certainly I do not mean to disparage woman-kind—or experience in stock-raising and farming, which are only a few of the attributes a successful Superintendent must possess in order to successfully administer its affairs.

Recognition was given to Roumania.

The Representative of Nova Scotia reported, especially referring to the presence of M.W. Bro. Rowland and R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan as the event of the year.

Grand Orator Glover disseminated truth and shed light in a striking address, from which we make the following citations:

I have decided to talk to you on MASONRY: ITS SEARCH FOR TRUTH AND LIGHT. TRUTH by which to live, and LIGHT by which to walk while traveling through this vale of tears.

Freemasonry has its Creed, Religion, and Purpose. I shall build my speech in harmony with these three fundamentals.

We believe in Courtesy, Affability, Freedom, Liberty and Justice for all. We believe in every moral and social virtue that binds humanity closer together and closer to God.

The Religion of Freemasonry consists of a Brotherly Spirit in all human relations and the worship of God by loving one's neighbor. "We walk by faith and not by sight." 11 Cor. 5:7.

Conscience is not entirely reliable as a criterion, for it is capable of being trained, or so seared as to be of no effect. But TRUTH is a standard that is reliable and unfailing.

The governments of the earth are toppling, and many of them are falling.

The industry of the world seems to be suffering from a paralytic stroke. The world is experiencing one of its greatest industrial crises.

A great idea founded on the Light of Truth never stops, nor can it die. A glorious impulse never belittles.

The Grand Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star, the lady Superintenddnt of the Orphans' Home and others directed a group of children from the Home, who were then presented to Grand Lodge, the children rendering a fine programme.

Andrew J. Russell was elected Grand Master and delivered a long comprehensive extemporaneous address on Masonry generally and his plans of future action. We excerpt the following:

The old adage that we never miss the water till the well runs dry was never more true in our state, our nation and in the whole world than it is at this moment.

We all know that we have been going the gaits. We have all disregarded self-evident consequences. This is the day and age of salesmanship. We have fallen for the spieler with oily tongue.

Banquet tables are spread with the fat of the land while the beggar is at our gate. Notwithstanding bank failures and rumors of bank failures the people are standing in line at picture show entrances awaiting a change to see the latest necking party, "Hell's Angels," enacted on the screen.

The benefits the candidate seeks according to his own declarations are that he might "TRAVEL" into foreign countries, "WORK" and "RECEIVE" Master's "WAGES", the better to enable him to support himself, and those dependent upon him and have something to contribute to the relief of distressed Brethren.

He is evidently a live wire.

Fine photographs of old Grand Masters adorn the Proceedings.

J. C. Hegler of Ingersoll, represents Arkansas.

A plan or diagram of the State indicating in black the boundaries of the several Districts, is a useful appendix to the Proceedings and worthy of imitation in our own Ontario of magnificent distances.

Number of Lodges 516, number of Master Masons 37,509.

A cumulative digest is published with each volume of Proceedings covering the edicts and decisions of Grand Masters.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Robie L. Reid, K.C., M.W. Grand Master.

W. A. DeWolf-Smith, V.W. Grand Secretary.

An emergent Communication was held at Malahat Beach, Vancouver Island, May 14th, 1930, for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the new Unit being erected for Crippled Children. A splendid address outlining the progress of the Solarium since its inception, its aims and objects, was delivered.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Communication was opened in Powell River, 19th June, 1930. Fourteen Past Grand Masters adorned and strengthened the Grand East.

The Grand Master's address was an able and constructive document. He outlined some of his duties as follows:

I have visited as many lodges in the jurisdiction as was possible. In doing so, I have given the preference to those lodges furthest from the centres of population and especially to those which had not been lately visited by former Grand Masters.

He issued three Dispensations for new lodges. Speaking of outlying lodges far from the centre, he advocated some means of inter-communication or literary link as follows:

There should be some medium, common to all, which would keep the brethren in all parts of the Province acquainted with the activities of the other members of the Craft, fulfilling the functions of a local newspaper of Freemasonry. In this way they would know what other lodges are doing, and be drawn closer to each other. Such a publication cannot be antagonistic to the principles of the Craft. In Ontario, the Masonic Sun, performing this work, has been in existence for more than thirty years.

He urges the appointment of a Committee to consider a publication for this purpose and backs it up as follows:

If Freemasonry is one of the oldest institutions in the world, they wish to know all that is possible concerning it. It is an age of inquiry, and this tendency is as apparent in Freemasonry as in any other department of human life.

It is the duty of the elder brethren to instruct the younger, and they are given to understand that they are in duty bound to improve themselves in Masonry. Wherever I have gone, in city as well as in country, I have been asked the questions: "What shall I read?" "Where can I get it?" "What will it cost?"

The establishment of such a library and committee will tend to encourage Masonic students and help us to provide a body of lecturers on Masonic matters for the edification of the Brethren and will give the lodges an interest which ritual alone will not provide.

He passes on a good idea in these words:

In some lodges it is the habit after supper to circulate "song sheets" containing such gems of modern inspiration as "Yes we have no bananas" and this when we have a gold mine of Masonic songs and music; songs that were sung by our forefathers in the Craft; songs hallowed by antiquity and association. Why not a movement to revive these old songs.

Freemasonry is a thing apart; a sanctuary from the hustle and bustle of life. It has its own ritual; its own language; its own songs; all of which go to create its own prized atmosphere. All these attributes should be cultivated in every lodge.

Membership, Master Masons 15,455. Net gain 293.

The reports of the eighteen D.D.G.M's on their respective Districts are full and interesting.

A letter was read from W. Bro. J. R. Seymour, the Grand Representative of Canada in Ontario.

This motion with regard to ourselves was moved and was referred to a Committee of three:

Whereas the Dominion of Canada is a country composed of nine Provinces.

And whereas each one of these Provinces has a Grand Lodge of Freemasons sovereign within its boundaries.

And whereas each one of these Grand Lodges, with one exception, is designated by the name of the Province in which it is established.

And whereas the Dominion of Canada now has taken on all the dignity and national spirit of a great country.

And whereas modern methods of communication and transportation have brought all Jurisdictions throughout the world in very close contact.

And whereas for these and divers other reasons the name of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons in the Province of Ontario is misleading, that it is confusing to Jurisdictions with which we are in relations all over the World and that it is not in the best interests of the whole Craft in the Dominion of Canada, that it be continued.

Be it therefore resolved.

That the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario be respectfully asked to make their name conform to the usages in practise in the other Provinces of the Dominion.

Upon motion it was

Resolved: That the resolution be referred to a special committee, to be reported on at this Communication.

This Committee subsequently reported as follows:

That the resolution be adopted by this Grand Lodge and a copy forwarded to the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, together with a covering letter setting forth the judgment of this Grand Lodge, viz: that acquiescence in the request of this resolution would be a gracious act on the part of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, designed to make a notable contribution to the better understanding among Freemasons in foreign Jurisdictions, as well as among ourselves in the Dominion of Canada.

Donald E. Kerr was elected Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Edward B. Brown, K.C., of Osgoode Hall, Toronto, represents British Columbia.

The Correspondence Report is again under the supervision of the Grand Secretary, who is outstandingly frank in his expressions of opinion and therefore interesting.

For instance under Alberta we read:

We are pleased to note in the list of his "Official Acts," a statement to the effect that the Grand Master declined an invitation to welcome, in his official capacity, the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, when it met in Edmonton.

He refused a request for a dispensation to initiate a blind man, "but only after very serious consideration," which leads us to ask, "Why the hesitation?"

We have never seen the York ritual worked, nor do we know of anyone who has, and as there is no "Canadian" ritual, we refrain from any comment.

This comment in the Arizona review:

The Grand Master went somewhat into the matter of "courtesy degrees", meaning degrees which are conferred by one lodge at the request and on behalf of another. This practice has the sanction of long usage, and is based on the theory that no Lodge shall interfere with the work of another lodge. It is very generally practiced throughout the Craft and is regarded as an expression of the friendly feeling which should prevail among Masons. There are only a few Grand Lodges which have discontinued the courtesy, and the reason for their action is not clear.

California is also full of suggestions:

Apparently some Masonic clubs have been the cause of anxiety to the authorities, although the Grand Master referred to them in a very guarded language. Clubs which have for their object the rendering of financial aid to the families of deceased brethren are, when properly organized and managed, admitted to be of use, but clubs formed for purely social purposes are discouraged, the Grand Master being of the opinion, and we think rightly, that "Purely social activities can be adequately taken care of by committees appointed by the Masters of Lodges". We think the ends of the first-named variety of clubs could also be satisfactorily attained in the same way.

Colorado's Grand Master having refused two lodges permission to attend jointly Divine Service and in support of this action having pointed out the different beliefs of those who are in our Lodges, Bro. DeWolf-Smith thus comments:

Which is all bunk. Why should not an orthodox Jew attend Divine service in a Christian church? Why should not a Mohammedan or a Buddhist attend? Again, if it comes to going to a Jewish synagogue, we would like to asky why not? The Jew as well as the Christian worships God.

Florida gives him excellent opportunity:

Numerous requests for permission to shorten the time between degrees were received and were invariably refused. The Grand Master said they were refused "with regret", but why he need have experienced any regret we cannot understand. The rule in Florida is that one month must elapse between degrees, and this is not unreasonable. The Grand Master recommended that the interval be lengthened to three months, which would be better still.

The activities of what the Grand Master regarded as parasitic organizations called forth remarks as well as an Edict prohibiting members of the lodges from joining, or remaining members of, such organizations.

His interest is justification for our reprinting his long comment on a special feature in Illinois:

There is probably no point in Masonry which has been more strongly stressed and we believe more generally observed, than that solicitation of candidates is absolutely barred, they must come of their own volition. Bro. Darrah however, thinks that in selected cases solicitation is quite proper, and goes so far as to say that he believes that four-fifths of our candidates are solicited anyway. He plainly says that he "does not believe in revival meetings, he does not believe in membership drives, he does not believe in going up and down the street proclaiming the virtue of Freemasonry and inviting everybody to come in." "At the present time Freemasonry has much to contend with. The competition which is all about it is strenuous. Men are no longer flocking to the doors begging to be admitted. If the society is to go on and prosper it will have to depart from some of its old methods and adjust itself to the new conditions of this ever changing world." In respect to which, in the language of the profane, our learned Brother is all wet.

The Eastern Star receives another touch under Kansas:

In his list of visits the Grand Master of that Jurisdiction included one made to a Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Brother Wilson asks:

"We rise to ask what this has to do with a formal address of a Grand Master to a Grand Lodge of Masons?"

We have asked the same question more than once, and like Brutus, we pause for a reply.

New Zealand finally gave an important ruling, which British Columbia had settled beforehand:

An interesting discussion took place on an appeal by one of the lodges from a ruling of the Board of General Purposes to the effect that a man, blinded as a result of the war, could not be initiated into Masonry. A good deal of special pleading was indulged in but finally the matter was held to be contrary to the provisions of the Book of Constitution. Although B. C. has practically settled the question, we feel that the matter is of interest.

On Land Marks under Nova Scotia the Grand Secretary says:

As the Grand Lodges of Great Britain, who, if anyone, ought to know what the Landmarks are, have hesitated to specify them, we have not much hope that the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia will meet with a large measure of success.

We find Canada in Ontario under "Ontario," in the usual B.C. place and with the usual name allocated to us by the

Grand Secretary of B. C., prematurely we think, but he gives us a cordial review:

The Grand Master's illness was peculiarly regretted by the Grand Lodge of British Columbia because it deprived us of the pleasure of his company at our Annual Communication—a visit to which we had looked forward with delightful anticipation.

Grand Master Martin having said:

My appeal therefore is first to our Worshipful Masters, that we give more time to the making of Masons than to the securing of members. Let us return to the old idea of a lodge.

The Reviewer comments thus very truly:

Excellent advice, but we'll have to retrace our steps a long way to get back to "the old idea of a lodge." It seems to us that a partial remedy would be the exercise of more care, not only in the admission of candidates but in the selection of officers. The Master of a lodge is told at his installation that it is his duty to impart light and instruction to the members of his lodge. Also every time he opens his lodge he is reminded that he is in the East to give the Craft the necessary instructions whereby they may pursue their labour. How many do it? How many can do it? I ask you.

As to over-burdening of Grand Masters we read apropos of ourselves:

We have for years been expressing the opinion that the Grand Master should not be expected to rush about the country in an endeavour to visit all the lodges in his jurisdiction, and we are glad to see that this Committee is of a similar opinion. Even to attend the "annually recurring Special Nights" in a Jurisdiction like Ontario is enough to tax the physical powers of any man.

From our review from the "Ontario" standpoint, our colleague says:

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is another of Brother Ponton's able literary efforts, and contains careful reviews of sixty-four Grand Lodges with which Ontario maintains fraternal relations.

And from E. B. Brown's last year's review of B.C. he makes this quotation:

M.W. Bro. McKee, the reviewer says, is, "as shown by his portrait in the forefront of the volume of Proceedings, a man of intellect," which no one in British Columbia will dispute, and his address "may well be commended for its conciseness and brevity, as well as for its practical commonsense."

CALIFORNIA

Not Received in Time

COLORADO

Reuben W. Hershey, M.W. Grand Master.

William W. Cooper, R.W. Grand Secretary.

No less than three special Communications of Grand Lodge were held for conferring Masonic burial upon three Past Grand Masters during the year.

The Seventieth Communication was held at Denver, September 16, 1930. All the Past Grand Masters and there was indeed a goodly array—nineteen in all, were presented together, and given the Grand Honours.

The Grand Master of Nebraska and a Past Grand Master of Montana were welcomed.

Stanley C. Warner represented Canada.

The reply to the reception of the Grand Representatives was eloquent:

Like the magi of old, we have traveled countless miles over dry, dusty, dreary deserts and boundless, boisterous, billowy seas to worship with you at the sacred shrine of our beloved fraternity, but unlike these Oriental sages we bring you not offerings of precious jewels, gold, frankincense and myrrh, but rather that priceless gift of good fellowship, brotherly love and affection.

From the Grand Master's able address we make these citations!

Some ask, "What is wrong with Masonry?" My answer is, that there is nothing wrong with Masonry or with the Masons, but there is something radically wrong with some of the members of the Masonic Fraternity. This question has been asked for several years past, and this situation has been cleared up in different ways in the last three or four years by suspension and expulsion of some of those members who never had the least interest in Masonry except what they might get out of the fraternity or its members.

Masonry has always been and always will be an educational institution for the uplift and up-building of the country, state and nation wherever it may have found a foothold.

His one decision given was as follows and we must say that it leaves us rather "in the air":

A brother who has been indefinitely suspended for un-Masonic conduct by a lodge of which he was not a member can be reinstated only by the lodge of which he was a member at the time of his suspension.

He approves the Conference of Grand Masters:

They state their various problems and exchange views on Masonic subjects. This is of great value to all the

Grand Jurisdictions, and no Grand Master should fail to attend this Conference, not only for his own good, but for the good of the craft in general.

A great work was done for Soldiers and Sailors' welfare, the opportunities for which are many in Colorado:

This Committee of our Grand Lodge, with which I have been in touch since its appointment and organization, has been doing wonderful work among our sojourning brethren from jurisdictions all over the world, who are unfortunate enough to be confined in our government hospitals in Colorado.

Of circular and chain letters he well says:

It was necessary to send out a letter calling the attention of the brethren to unauthorized work. This, on account of the officers of the different subordinate lodges throughout this jurisdiction being circularized by so-called Masonic publications that traffic in alleged keys and ciphers.

The so-called Masonic Chain Prayer Letter has become a nuisance. Filled as it is with threats of misfortune to those who fail to comply with instructions, it is simply an appeal to superstition.

Membership 33,982. Net gain 372.

Grand Orator Vaille delivered an oration on "The Kingdom and the Craftsmen" which lends itself to quotation. We therefore share it with our Brethren:

The craftsmen are mankind of the past, of the present, of the future.

Where there is a creation there is always a purpose back of it. Even a child playing with clay, shapes it to make some object.

Tennyson wrote: "Yet I doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose runs, and the thoughts of man are widened with the process of the sun."

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Revelation cannot enlighten us very much; it can only use symbols. Hence heaven is represented as a state of spiritual harmony and happiness, symbolized by music; as full of most precious experiences, as symbolized by an abundance of gold and precious stones, things which men consider most precious; and as free from pain and sorrow.

It means that we are not shapes of mud, placed here by chance, but Sons of the Most High, citizens of eternity, deathless as God our Father is deathless; and that there is laid upon us an abiding obligation to live in a manner befitting the dignity of the soul.

Through the harsh noises of our day
 A low sweet prelude finds its way.
 Through clouds of doubt and creeds of fear
 A light is breaking calm and clear.
 One ship drives East, another drives West
 While the self same breezes blow.
 'Tis the set of the sails and not the gales
 That bid them where to go—

Those are no dead piles of stone and of unmeaning timber. Some one has said, "They sung their souls in stone." In construction the masters seemed guided by a divine spirit, accomplishing what architects of less faith would deem impossible.

They felt that they were building up the Kingdom of God. And this, too, was in the Dark Ages.

Horace H. Mitchell was elected Grand Master.

The Grand Lecturer's report shows that Colorado suffered with other Jurisdictions from the low record of attendance at stated meetings of Grand Lodge. He however improved matters.

From Colorado's response to the Grand Master of England's message we take this paragraph:

We believe with you that the combined efforts of Anglo Saxon Freemasonry have done much to advance the cause of civilization and cement the bonds of brotherhood that make us all akin.

Andrew H. Dalziel of Windsor represents Colorado.

The Review of Grand Lodges was presented by Stanley C. Warner, Chairman, who in his introduction says:

The proceedings show gains in twenty-six Grand Lodges in the United States, ranging from 4,350 in California to eleven in North Dakota, and losses in fifteen Grand Lodges in the United States, ranging from 2,098 in Oklahoma to twenty-one in New Hampshire.

Appoint a Committee of Past Grand Masters to present to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge rules governing the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges.

This from the review of Alabama:

By drama, story and symbol, the eye, the ear and the recollection continually enrich the mind and quicken the conscience of the thinking member of the Craft.

Arizona has the international touch:

His decision, expressed as follows, regarding the eligibility of a Chinaman born in Hawaii, was approved by the Grand Lodge: "I wish to inform you that in Arizona, at least, the nationality of a petitioner for the degrees does not affect his eligibility."

He favourably reviews Canada, citing our financial condition and work, and making a special quotation as to special grants outside of Masonry from the Report of the Committee on the Grand Master's address, a matter to which we think more attention should be paid.

In the review of Kansas we read:

The display of a true brotherly spirit to a sojourning brother was far more essential than the building up of a large membership.

This under New York:

The Grand Master warned of the tendency on the part of a few brethren whose selfish desires overcome their Masonic allegiance to capitalize Masonry for their own purposes.

And this from the Grand Matron of the Eastern Star who visited South Dakota:

The real purpose of the Order is a work that goes down into the very heart of life. It is the tremendous task of bringing to the consciousness of the whole world, the meaning of unity.

CONNECTICUT

George R. Sturges, M.W. Grand Master.

Winthrop Buck, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and forty-third Communication was held in Hartford, February 5th, 1930, with as fine an array of Past Grand Masters, seventeen in all, as the most exacting record could ask. Distinguished visitors were received from Quebec, Texas, District of Columbia, Delaware, Vermont, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Jersey and our own Grand Secretary R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan enjoyed the well known hospitality of Connecticut.

We regret that our Grand Representative did not answer Roll Call.

Prior to the annual, several special Communications were held, one for conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. McKenzie, another for the dedicating and consecrating of a new Cemetery.

Of the deceased Brethren the Grand Master says in his address:

We find today some broken links in our fraternal chain. This fact I speak of with deep feeling, yet I am glad in the belief that our departed brothers will fit as perfect stones.

To the late Grand Master McKenzie this tribute is paid:

He loved the town in which he lived and he loved it enough to work for it. He always gave freely of his talents, with which he was amply endowed.

The Grand Secretary of New York wrote by request regarding the Grand Orient of Rumania and commended it.

With regard to outside enterprises the Grand Master says:

Meritorious as the purpose behind such requests may be, they are not proper unless the Grand Jurisdiction to which the lodge belongs has authorized their action and unless they have the permission of your Grand Master, which must be obtained through their own Grand Master.

The custom growing in this Jurisdiction of presenting Bibles meets, with our hearty approval.

Under Masonic Education we read:

The ritual used is a beautiful thing, but unless it is understood it does not in any way portray the most interesting and valuable we have in store for those who join our ranks.

Many of the officers of our lodges are ill prepared along the lines of Masonic knowledge, even though they may be perfect in the ritual.

Connecticut keeps trace of all books of Ritual issued and requires returns from time to time.

Three decisions may be of interest:

This being the law the Grand Master has no right to issue a dispensation authorizing any lodge to violate the same.

Visiting lodge may work degree, so long as work is done under the direction and supervision of Master of the lodge visited.

An insane person is not competent to make this request. Held: To be improper for a lodge to restore to membership one who, since he was dropped for non-payment of dues, has been confined in a hospital for the insane.

Of the Grotto he says:

We realize that the Grotto is a playground. So long as the play is clean and healthy, there is room for it as an organization. It is the experience of those interested in projects of this kind that close supervision must be kept over them by their Grand Body to prevent abuses creeping in.

The Home was the object of his special attention:

A visit to this Home will cause you to be more interested in the great work of which you are a part. We do not look upon this Home as a mere charitable institution but as a home and place of refuge for our loved ones.

Charity in Masonry means love. The Masons of this state have built their love for each other in this Home

He describes vividly and we appreciate his appreciation of his visit to our Grand Lodge and in the full report we find these gracious words combined with congratulations on the recovery to health of Grand Master Martin:

We will remember for many years the kindness shown us by our Canadian brethren and the ladies of Canada. R.W. Bro. Logan and Mrs. Logan, M.W. Bro. Ponton and Mrs. Ponton were most cordial and did everything in their power to give us all a good time. Our trip was most interesting and instructive. R.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, did all in his power and was indeed a busy man. The most cordial and friendly relations exist between Canada and Connecticut. May this relation long continue.

Texas also receives a word of praise. When he visited that great State he included her Masonic Home and her School at Fort Worth, of which she has a right to be proud.

The Library receives special attention from the Grand Secretary, Membership 46,046. Net gain 251.

Chile was extended the right hand of fellowship.

There are 419 members in the Masonic Home.

As to more and smaller lodges the Committee report:

It is a matter to which the Craft must be educated. We respectfully suggest that the District Deputies make it an especial point the coming Masonic year to bring before the Craft. Four new lodges last year and three this, make a good beginning. We hope this may continue at a greater rate the coming year.

The Committee on Finance give an exhaustive summary of their investigation from which we quote:

There is one feature which must be distinctly borne in mind when setting up a system of reserves against future demand. This is what may be called the "double burden" feature, which always attends the process of change from a "pay-as-you-go" policy to a "prepare-for-the-future" policy.

Now the portents have become clear; the day of easy optimism is past. We see the future already writ small in the present.

Elbert L. Darbie was installed as Grand Master.

George H. Smith of the Canada Permanent represents Connecticut and Clarence R. Austin of Richmond Hill, N.Y. represents Canada.

Fraternal Correspondence is in the veteran hands of the old reliable George A. Kies, P.G.M., who presents his seventeenth review. We quote from his Foreword:

Above all start them into independent thinking along certain lines, even though their conclusions may at times radically differ from those of this scribe.

There is a technical difference between suspension and striking from the roll of membership. In Connecticut, the latter is the sole penalty for non-payment of dues. Its only effect is to make the delinquent a non-affiliate, but his accrued debt impairs his standing as such.

In the "Cabletow", a Masonic periodical published in the Phillippine Islands, we find a new angle of view. After noting that many Masons are, because of social or family obligations, prevented from lodge attendance but still pay dues, the writer suggests that such Brothers may resent being continually referred to and criticised as "dead timber" and that this may ultimately result in their demanding demits or allowing their names to be dropped N.P.D.

The earliest known account of a Masonic funeral appeared in the London "Daily Post" of 2nd June, 1739, giving details of the funeral of Dr. James Anderson, D.D., compiler of the Constitutions.

"Last night was interr'd in Bunhill-Fields, the Corpse of Dr. Anderson, a Dissenting Teacher, in a very remarkable deep Grave. His Pall was supported by five Dissenting Teachers, and the Rev. Dr. Desaguliers. It was follow'd by about a Dozen of Free-Masons, who encircled the Grave; and after Dr. Earle had harrangued on the Uncertainty of Life, etc., without one Word of the Deceased, the brethren, in a most solemn dismal Posture, lifted up their Hands, sigh'd, and struck their Aprons three times in Honour to the Deceased."

Besides the usual corn, wine, and oil, England and some others use salt, as an emblem of hospitality.

And do not forget incense. Who is responsible for dropping these in Canada?

Under the Alberta Review we get a nugget:

The common misunderstanding and international problems, the remedy for which he believes is "contact and intercourse, coupled with patience and the will to understand".

A Grand Master who has just been elected finds himself somewhat at sea as to what should be done in certain matters. The Grand Secretary is there, who can tell, from the wealth of his experience, what is the best thing to do and the difficulty is overcome. He does this with courtesy and tact so as not to ruffle the newly developed dignity of the newly elected Grand Master. Later on in the year when this excessive dignity has to some extent worn off, less tact perhaps is necessary on the part of the Grand Secretary. The Grand Master soon finds that even with his high office, and unlimited power, he is still human and, although power is still vested in him, yet he knows it is better to temper justice with mercy.

Under Arkansas a scrutinizing question:

It is noted that the nearby Rainbow Girls conferred a degree. What next?

Under British Columbia he comments thus on topical reviews:

We have never seen but three topical reviews that were worth reading. To ably write on this plan requires not only broad learning and information but also a full fledged essayist.

With regard to funeral Rituals which are being considered in most Jurisdictions apparently, he says under California:

He recommends that the funeral ritual be revised to "subdue the note of woe" and "sound the harmonic of a greater and finer faith."

This definition of Orphan comes from the same Jurisdiction:

Grand Lodge voted the word orphan should apply only to children under 21 years of age.

In his review of Canada he recalls the pleasant visit to us by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. Of Grand Master Martin's composite address he says and quotes:

He pleads for a return "to the old idea of a lodge" as a place for intensive study and teaching of the history and symbolism of Masonry.

Of our District Deputies this:

From the reports of District Deputies, we infer that they are given somewhat wider powers than is usual in the United States.

A District Deputy reports that "the old style heavy banquet" has given way to the informal lunch with increased opportunity for sociability.

Again William N. Ponton presents the usual interesting review.

Under District of Columbia he quotes and comments on Montana and England:

We agree with this, under Montana, which as we are informed is the practice of England:

We in the District of Columbia make a distinction between an unrecognized Grand Lodge and an interdicted Grand Lodge, which was the old rule. We accept the dimit of any brother who takes the Tyler's oath and has a clean dimit from a lodge which we have not interdicted.

These paragraphs from the review of Florida:

It seems that nearly one-half of the Masons relieved hailed from other States.

A request for recognition of the Order of Amaranth was denied.

He pays a beautiful tribute to the late good Joe (as he liked to be called) Eggleston, Past Grand Master, and long-time able reviewer for Virginia, who passed to his final reward in 1927. It finds a hearty responsive echo even in a cold blooded unregenerate Yankee.

From Ireland we glean this:

He notes the difficulty of "preserving the purity" of the ritual in lodges thousands of miles away. Perhaps we are too much of an iconoclast but to us so long as the vital essentials are preserved the little unimportant quaint variations in the verbiage have a charm.

These from Montana:

It is refreshing to note occasionally secretaries who are obliging and painstaking; unobtrusive in their views and cheerfully bowing to the will of the lodge; such secretaries are jewels and command the love and affection of the brethren; we happen to know both kinds, and the latter appeal to us as the real men and Masons.

"Raymond C. Dunn 33rd degree"; we believe it in bad taste to append to the name of the Grand Master his rank in the Scottish Rite or any other designation; why not "R.A.M.", "R. & S.M.", "K.T.", "Shriner" or any other; the writer is himself a 33rd degree and so he cannot be said to be prejudiced.

Scotland always furnishes grey matter and humor:

We retail one of the stories; When a very old man, the Duke of Wellington was helped across a crowded street by a stranger who after being thanked by the Duke, said it was the proudest moment of his life "to have helped the great Duke." The Duke countered: "Go away, and don't make a damned ass of yourself."

British Masons are less obsessed than Americans by any idea of the necessity for making Masonry an exact science, as mathematics, for instance.

DELAWARE

Harry V. Holloway, M.W. Grand Master.

John F. Robinson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Several emergent meetings were held for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of Public Schools and Churches, a record being made by laying two cornerstones on one day. Delaware is progressing in educational contact.

The One Hundred and twenty-fifth Communication was held in Wilmington, 1st October, 1930. Fourteen Past

Grand Masters foregathered with the Brethren for counsel and encouragement.

Canada's Grand Representative did not report for duty.

Many distinguished visitors from New Jersey were welcomed.

The Grand Master thus opened auspiciously his address:

To serve one's fellows is a high privilege but it is also a great responsibility. He who gives the opportunity for service himself renders one. You gave me such an opportunity, which has since been a source of many satisfactions. For this opportunity and for these satisfactions I am deeply grateful.

Of the Fraternal Dead he thus speaks:

Here may be found some Past Master of our own lodge to whom we feel that obligation and touch of gratitude for keeping the fires burning upon our holy altar—some friend with whom for years we have walked and talked.

James T. Eliason Jr., was during the year appointed Grand Representative of Canada. R.W. Bro. Rev. R. C. Blgrave, D.D. of Peterborough, represents Delaware with us.

Acknowledgment is made of the cablegram from the Duke of Connaught and it was thus acknowledged.

Her Masons recognize with gratitude the debt that American Free Masonry owes to a long line of distinguished English Craftsmen. We join with you in expressing the hope that our common origin, our common language, and our common ideals shall assure the continuance of that understanding and good will which make for perfect accord among men and Masons.

Among his decisions are the following:

Any Mason in good standing may prefer a complaint to the proper authority against any other individual Mason or against a Lodge and may be a witness on the trial.

It is not necessary for the accuser to be a member of the same lodge. It is sufficient that he be an affiliated Mason.

A Mason in good standing of another Grand Jurisdiction may bring charges for un-Masonic conduct against a Mason in the jurisdiction of Delaware.

He recommends hearty support of the Masonic Service Association.

He expresses his belief in the sound information of the plan of segregating fees for Degrees from the General Lodge receipts.

Of the Masonic Home, the pride of Delaware, he says:

Of all our undertakings that of which Delaware Masons are most proud is our Masonic Home. The success of this

venture is due very largely to the fact that there have always been on the Home Board men of generous spirit and fine business discrimination.

It would be fine if Delaware Masons more generally could know what the Grand Lodge is doing to make the declining years of so many lives. "darkened by shadows of earth" bright again with some of the glowing colors of the setting sun.

Under the heading of Grand Lodge co-operation and the Craft in general, he has some thoughts which we feel should be shared by our brethren here.

Change is the law of life, but the essential elements of things change not.

New occasions teach new duties,
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
We must upward still and onward,
If we would keep abreast the truth.

So while Masonry is necessarily a conservative organization, its life depends upon its recognition of "new occasions" and its willingness to assume "new duties".

To foster brotherly love, to provide for relief, and to search for truth.

Friendship is the greatest solvent of human difficulties. It is the basis of easy understanding. Where men recognize each other as brothers, friendship thrives and fear and suspicion disappear as the mists before the morning sun. To teach the foundation of and the necessity for brotherly love is the first task of every Masonic Lodge. Out of this comes faith in one's fellows and faith in the divine Architect. But "faith without works is dead".

Life is a great adventure. To know is its perpetual challenge. The search for truth is the most alluring and fascinating occupation of mankind.

It was never so true in the history of the world as it is today that man cannot live to himself alone. Our interdependence is one of the most important facts of our existence.

The most important function that Masonry can perform in the realm of material things, and ultimately in the realm of spiritual things, is to multiply opportunities for the building of friendships.

The Grand Orient of Roumania was recognized. Are there not two separate authorities in Roumania?

Membership 6,154. Net gain 52.

The Necrology Committee expresses universal regret:

"The paths of glory lead but to the grave".

But it is not for the leaders alone that we mourn, but also for those countless faithful, unsung brethren, upon

whose untiring efforts and kindly devotion the craft so justly relied.

The Committee on Masonic Service with regard to education write:

This educational work is vital to the progress of the Craft, and should be continued. It serves to relieve the monotony which so often characterizes lodge meetings, and, we believe would tend to stimulate attendance. Bringing to the brethren Masonic messages gleaned from the symbolism and allegory that abound in our degrees, helps.

The Secretary endeavors to have a personal interview at least once a year with each one enjoying a scholarship that they may know that we are interested in their progress and welfare.

D. Raymond Keefer was elected Grand Master.

Thomas J. Day, P.G.M., presents his eleventh condensed and comprehensive Review of Foreign Correspondence.

We read in the review of Alberta:

The medium sized lodge is the healthy lodge and fraternity and common purpose can certainly be better cultivated in a lodge of a hundred men of a type, than in a lodge of five hundred with little of a common viewpoint.

And of British Columbia:

You owe duties as well without Craft as within it, and that you are bound, as a Mason, to give your best in those relations which you bear to your family, the community in which you live, and the Country of which you form a part. As the Antient Charges put it, "Lest the Craft be put to shame."

His comments on Canada at Ottawa are kindly. He speaks especially of the address of welcome by the Mayor of Ottawa, of the many distinguished visitors and of the composite address of Grand Master Martin prepared by himself and his faithful collaborators.

He praises our benevolent grants and remarks upon the actuality and reality of the several reports of the D.D.G.Ms. Of the Report of the Condition of Masonry he says inquiringly:

An interesting report is submitted on the "Condition of Masonry". One paragraph says "Lincoln Lodge of Abingdon, so far as we have been able to learn, may safely challenge any other lodge in Ontario to surpass its record for attendance. With a membership of only 78 the average attendance of members and visitors for the year was 84" We wonder what kind of bait was used?

He finds our review interesting.

Commenting under England on the method of electing Grand Treasurer he says:

The mode of electing an officer you will note, is quite different from what we are accustomed to.

The Board of General Purposes reported the renewal of Mutual Representative relationship between England and the Grand Orient of Brazil. Representatives have been exchanged for the first time in many years.

Under Florida Review we find part of an address sent to every newly raised Master Mason:

I have been officially advised that you have been raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason by a particular lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction; and you have thereby become a Friend and Brother among us.

Your brethren in this State hope that the lessons inculcated in the several degrees have made a profound impression upon your mind and that in your future life and activity you will be a blessing to Freemasonry and that Freemasonry will be a blessing to you.

The beneficent grant of M.W. Bro. J. H. Cowles of \$10,000 to the Grand Lodge is acclaimed as a praise-worthy example, under Kentucky.

This old but ever new touch from New Zealand:

Be just and fear not,
Let all the end we aim at
Be our country's, our God's and Truth's.

From the Review of Saskatchewan we take these two paragraphs:

Masonry was never meant to be merely an ornamental tree; it was designed to bear fruit. It is, or should be, a combination of the ideal and the real. Its idealism can never be too high; its realism should never descend to the level of sordidness and selfishness.

Non-Masons are often tardy with commendation, yet quick with condemnation. They judge us too often by their conception (frequently warped), of the faults and remissnesses of the individual. Our personal conduct, both in private and public life, ought to be at all times in strict conformity.

This under Virginia—the Old Dominion:

The Grand Lodge of Virginia was organized in Williamsburg in 1778. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is donating millions of dollars to restore Williamsburg to its old Colonial days.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

James A. West, M.W. Grand Master.

J. Claude Keiper, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The first stated Communication of the year was held in Washington, May 14th, 1930.

The Grand Master announced with sorrow the serious illness of P.G.M. Baird, Chairman Committee on Correspondence.

Formal recognition was given to Colombia, South America, with offices at Barranquilla.

Referring to two other applicants for recognition the Committee significantly say:

It has not been the policy of this Grand Lodge to extend recognition to Grand Lodges organized as these were (under the supervision of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of Brazil) until they have worked and demonstrated their regularity during a longer period than the Grand Lodges of Parahyba and Rio de Janeiro have existed.

It is recommended that the requests be passed over without prejudice at the present time with the understanding that, after the said Grand Lodges have been in existence for about five years, a renewal of the requests for recognition will receive careful consideration on their merits.

The Service Bureau report 571 applicants but they need more support:

Greater co-operation is essential by all members of the Crart in reporting to the Bureau needs of employers and soliciting therefrom before going elsewhere for necessary qualified help. The policy of the Bureau to serve the employer is being stressed in all contacts and this policy is bearing fruit. Competent and qualified help is the keyword.

A Brother who had written an unmasonic letter to the Grand Master was tried. He repented, expressed regret, made atonement and was dealt leniently with by the Committee.

They had to apply to Congress to erect the dominating unit of the new Temple to a height exceeding that limited by the local authorities.

Under the requirements for recognition we read with interest the following:

Fraternal recognition may be extended to a Grand Lodge when it appears to the satisfaction of this Grand Lodge, a committee having first considered and reported thereon:

That such Grand Body shall have been formed lawfully by at least three just and duly constituted lodges, or by a duly recognized Grand Lodge.

That it is a responsible, independent, self-governing organization with sole, undisputed and exclusive authority over the symbolic lodges within its jurisdiction, and not in any sense whatever subject to, or dividing authority with, a Supreme Council or other Power claiming ritualistic or other supervision or control.

That its membership is composed of men exclusively, and that it entertains no Masonic relations with mixed lodges or bodies admitting women into their membership.

Several cornerstones were laid by Grand Lodge. Among them the new building of the National Education Association at which ceremony the Grand Master said:

One of the prime purposes of our organization is the development of the character of the individual citizen.

The educators of our land are engaged in a splendid cause. The results of their efforts will be felt long after they shall have passed from the sphere of action.

George W. Baird, P.G.M. died October 4, and a special Communication was held to conduct his funeral.

At the laying of the cornerstone of the new Presbyterian Church the Grand Master said instructively and inspirationally:

The Book of Holy Writ, that Great Light which has ever adorned the sacred altar of Freemasonry, that Book which speaks to the troubled heart and is man's comfort and support when the world and all it contains is slipping from him, is the great corner-stone upon which the mighty structures of both the Church and this Fraternity have been erected.

If there be those among you who have been attracted here by mere curiosity, or for the purpose of accounting for a few moments of idleness, it is entirely probable that in the ceremony just concluded, you have witnessed no more than a series of unmeaning rites, and are conscious of no more than its physical aspects.

Masonry is not a religion of itself. But, its many points of contact with the Church, and its almost identical objectives, make it difficult to determine the dividing line.

It honors Masonry to be recognized as an ally of the Church, and Masonry's prompt response to all calls must be convincing to the Church, that we are ready to render whatever service lies within our power.

The One hundred and twentieth Annual Communication was held December 17, 1930. Ten Past Grand Masters present in ample form.

Of Grand Masters generally and their services he says what will strike a responsive chord:

Irrespective of any service he may have rendered to the Craft prior to attainment or during his enjoyment of the

highest honor within the gift of his brethren, there are elements of fraternal regard and true friendship behind it all that must quicken the spirit and enliven the heart of any brother who is privileged to serve the Craft as Grand Master.

To the late George W. Baird he pays this tribute:

He served for thirty years as the Chairman of our Committee on Correspondence and his sturdiness of character and his familiarity with the international workings of our Craft acquired by a world-wide experience as an officer in the United States Navy, won for his writings the respect of his brethren everywhere'.

He visited the whole of the forty-four lodges of his jurisdiction. He recognized the effectiveness of an objection to a visitor:

An objection to the admission of a visitor made to the Master of a lodge by a member of it is sufficient objection to require the exclusion of the visitor in question.

Of the Association of Masters he says:

The Association of Worshipful Masters has quietly and unobtrusively pursued the even tenor of its way, with no blare of trumpets, no circus parades—and yet I venture to say it has accomplished as much genuine good for the Fraternity as any similar organization of prior years.

Masonic Clubs are giving trouble and yet in some instances doing good work:

The rapid increase in numbers of Masonic Clubs during the past decade has brought many problems to Grand Lodges and Grand Masters.

The fact remains, however, that in any organization composed of Masons, no matter by what name it is known and regardless of its affiliation or non-affiliation with any national organization or federation, every brother is responsible solely to his lodge and his Grand Lodge in matters of discipline, since Grand Lodges recognize no other jurisdiction over a Master Mason. This fact should be borne in mind by every organization predicated its eligibility to membership on membership in a Blue Lodge, because no Masonic offense can be dealt with save through the lodge of which the offending brother is a member.

In his reply to the message of the Duke of Connaught he says:

The kindly feeling which prompted your message will serve to strengthen the bonds between all English-speaking Masons and must necessarily make more enduring the ties which unite the two nations.

He strikes a strong note with regard to proper Masonic clothing in Lodges and bans the fez and other head dresses:

The admission into a lodge of any brother wearing headdress of any kind, or not properly clothed, or the neglect of any brother to salute the East in the required form and from a proper position, is not only a breach of lodge decorum, but is a direct affront to Masonic customs, usages, and traditions.

He limits the operation of Degree Teams with a strong hand:

To remedy these conditions, it is hereby directed that hereafter no degree shall be conferred in a lodge in this jurisdiction by a degree team composed of members of other Lodges unless the said members have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Grand Lecturer that they are competent to confer the degree in exact accordance with the ritual as adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Membership 23,161. Net loss 191.

Grand Chaplain Palmer in speaking of the summer religious services at Temple Heights, (groves were "God's first Temples") thus describes part of their work:

What began as a purely temporary feature, has now continued for its ninth successive season. It was the thought of those who originally planned these services, that the beautiful and spacious, shaded and unused grounds near the Treaty Oak offered a wonderful opportunity to remind Masons themselves and their families, as well as to give to the profane an unostentatious evidence of Masonry's fundamental reverence for the Great Architect and the free, unsectarian nature of its religious attitude.

The Memorial Committee who had in charge the tribute to the late Rear Admiral Baird said among many other commendations:

P.G.M. Baird has written his name large in the service of his country, in Masonry and in the civil life of this, his native city. His inventive genius and constructive planning have added greatly to the efficiency, the morale and the splendor of the United States Navy.

The welfare of the city, which he had known all his life and which he had seen grow from a straggling village of pre-civil war times to the beautiful city which we know today, was ever his constant solicitude.

The Director of the Service Bureau pointed out what seems to be a common experience all over North America:

The Community Chest reports, "The organizations (members, administering to the needs of the deserving of the community) have been hard hit by unemployment in more ways than you might imagine," "the extent of aid necessary is without precedent."

A Communication of Grand Lodge was held as usual on Saint John's Day, with thirteen Past Grand Masters present.

C. Fred Cook was elected Grand Master.

Many interesting items regarding the successful Home, the shrine of Masonic devotion, are contained in the Report. The following must suffice:

The education of the members of the Home is being looked after carefully. For the most part the children attend public schools and in some special instances vocational schools, according to the needs of the particular child.

During 1928, we organized a boy scout troop at the Home and most satisfactory results have been attained and the troop is an excellent one and has received favorable report for the excellency in appearance and demeanor.

William T. Ballard represents Canada and the District of Columbia is represented by John Wilson.

The duties of the Committee on Correspondence were taken over by the Grand Master, James A. West, who had for years assisted the late George W. Baird. He says in his introduction:

During all these years our relations with Grand Lodges in foreign countries have been largely governed by his recommendations, always based upon sound Masonic principles, and his judgment was profoundly respected by all foreign grand jurisdictions with which we are in amity.

He makes a general comment on questions engaging the attention of most Grand Lodges and from these comments we select the following:

The admission of a Grand Matron and her officers, or any woman member of the O. E. S., into a Grand Lodge, while in session, even though the Grand Lodge be at refreshment, would seem to be of doubtful propriety. A Grand Lodge is open until it is closed, and since only Master Masons are privileged to sit in a Grand Lodge and no woman can become a Master Mason, no woman should be admitted within the tiled door when the Grand Lodge is open, and this premise would apply with equal force to a lodge, whether the woman was admitted as a visitor or for the purpose of taking part in a program. This writer does not believe any Grand Master has the right to admit a woman into a Grand Lodge while in session, that is, between the time of opening and closing. As to the admission of women into a Grand Lodge room before opening or after closing, that is quite another matter, although even that, it would seem to this writer, is of doubtful propriety.

This writer has no quarrel with boys' organizations. It is a good thing to keep boys busy and interested, and out of mischief. But the sponsorship of such organizations by Masons is calculated to instill into a boy's mind the idea that when he leaves the organization upon arriving at his majority, he will graduate, so to speak, and step right into Masonry.

There have already been cases where grievances originating among the boys of the DeMolay have been taken up by their fathers (Masons) who have sought settlement through the lodge, when, as a matter of fact the lodge had nothing to do with it except that Masons had sponsored the organization.

This writer's opinion is that Masonry should mind its own business in this respect. Children should receive their moral training from their parents, and no boy who is thus properly trained need have any fear but that he will be eligible for Masonry. Masonry does not need a kindergarten.

Canada is briefly reviewed. He made several extracts from the address of M.W. Bro. Dargavel and speaks kindly of our Report. We quote:

We should not deny to men of character and intelligence, though physically imperfect, the opportunity to enjoy all the benefits and privileges which Freemasonry affords.

But not where his earning power and financial position are such that the payment of fees and dues should be more properly applied to the support of himself and his family, with which sentiment this writer heartily agrees.

We would state, that the matter of changing our opening and closing ceremonies was left in status quo ante by the Grand Lodge.

Under Connecticut's Review we read:

He refused to give his endorsement to either of two Bibles submitted to him for use as gifts to candidates, though the custom of presenting Bibles met with his approval. On this matter he will find himself in excellent company.

He was opposed, and very properly so, "to Masonic bodies offering prizes to be drawn for," believing that Masons did not need to enter this field in order to finance themselves.

Florida has been much in the limelight during this past year:

In fact, from the record, it appears that he might well have issued a blanket dispensation for each lodge to do exactly as it pleased in regard to every matter that came up where evasion of law was necessary.

He expressed the opinion that a lodge was in no way bound to accept the verdict of a civil court as to the guilt of a brother who violated the civil code, apparently holding that un-Masonic conduct had nothing to do with good citizenship.

He says: "The brethren generally are more and more appearing to realize that anything incompatible with the

open Great Light is entirely out of place in a Masonic Lodge, which in no sense, * * * was ever intended to be a play house." Shrine, Grotto, etc., take notice.

We read under Iowa:

Grand Master Dewey was disappointed with the meeting of the Masonic Service Association. He found, however, that the conference of Grand Masters, held the following day, was something worth while. Reading between the lines of his report, we are inclined to the opinion that his attendance at the Grand Masters' conference somewhat modified his previous view of Masonic problems.

He was not much in sympathy with the "mushroom organizations creeping into our Craft," nor is this writer.

Louisiana gives rise to some pointed comments:

He granted a great number of dispensations, one of which was for the election of a Worshipful Master who had resigned, and another for the use of a lodge room for the wedding of a brother to a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. (Rather a peculiar use of a lodge room). Among his numerous decisions was one that an applicant who could neither read nor write the English language was ineligible. (This seems to be a pretty general practice.)

There is a fine report on the Home, which states that both the boys and girls who are beneficiaries are taught to help with the work of maintaining it, the boys in the fields and gardens, and the girls in domestic work, which would seem to be a good idea for the training of these young people.

This from New York Review:

His comment on the Boy's Order of De Molay was timely, and many will share his opinion that there is no place for a Junior Order in Masonry. His statement that Masonry has no business connections can not be too strongly emphasized.

ENGLAND

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, M.W. Grand Master.

Rt. Hon. Lord Ampthill, M.W. Pro Grand Master.

Rt. Hon. Lord Cornwallis, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Sir Colville Smith, V.W. Grand Secretary.

Quarterly Communication was held 5th March, 1930, at which in addition to above we notice among those present the well known names of W. John Songhurst, J. Obed Smith, Sir Kynaston Studd, Lionel Vibert, Sir John Ferguson, Sir Alfred Robbins, Lt.-Col. Hamilton Wedderburn, Sir George M. Boughey and many others.

The Duke of Connaught was renominated and declared unanimously elected in due and ancient form, commencing and ending as follows:

Be it known, that the Most High, Most Mighty, and Illustrious Prince, Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Earl of Sussex, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, etc., etc., has been elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England for the ensuing year, whom may the Great Architect of the Unviverse long preserve.

The presentation of Hall Stone Lodge medals is no formal matter in the hands of the great leader of Masonic spirit, Lord Ampthill, who during the presentation said wisely and well:

There must be something visible to all the world, of solid substance and conspicuous beauty, and of material advantage to mark and commemorate the wonderful period of expansion and prosperity in which we as Masons have been fortunate enough to live, as well as to commemorate our most sacred feelings at the greatest crisis of our history as a Nation.

Just as Europe could not do without the Churches, Cathedrals, and Castles, which are the outward and visible sign of the imperishable souls of her Peoples, so we as Masons cannot do without material habitations made by hands, to symbolize the endurance of the spirit that animates the Craft and to denote its religious character.

The value of the medals consists in the fact that they commemorate the public spirit, the loyalty and the broad-minded and far-sighted sense of duty, displayed by the lodges to which they are awarded. The medals are not gauges or yard sticks of munificence, which would indeed be unfair, but certificates of genuine merit. The quota of contribution which they require is not so high as to be outside the compass of the attainment of any well regulated lodge.

The death of the Grand Registrar, Sir. Thomas Willis Chitty, K.C., was the occasion of a noble tribute:

His colleagues hold in grateful memory the great and continuous work he devoted to the legal administration of the Craft, and the tact, patience, and skill with which he unravelled many difficult problems.

This comment on anonymous letters will appeal to all of us who have had the burden of experience:

The Board's attention has been called to the growing frequency with which anonymous letters and extracts from various journals are being forwarded to the leading Officers of the Grand Master, with an obvious attempt to injure the

reputation or prospects of some member of the Craft. All pains appear to be taken by the senders to conceal their identity and place of residence; and the Board feels it necessary not only to repeat the assurance of these Grand Lodge Officers that they take no notice of unsigned and unvouched-for communications, but to add its own opinion that the practice is to be severally condemned as both personally unworthy and absolutely unmasonic.

Sir Alfred Robbins, President of the Board, in presenting the Report emphasized the above paragraph and added another kind of communication which is also well known to Grand Masters:

These are letters of which I receive so many samples in my official capacity that they seem almost taken from one original pattern. They are the letters which say in slightly varying words, "I was last night at a lodge where a Grand Officer or some other Mason committed an irregularity. Why does not the Board of General Purposes promptly punish such an offence?" I invariably reply that until the Board knows what the alleged irregularity is, in what lodge it occurred, and what Brother is accused of having perpetrated it, it would be impossible to proceed. I have invited the complainer to trust himself in my hands in the strictest confidence, giving the various particulars we require so that we can make inquiries. It is not once in twenty-five times that I get a reply to that request (Hear, Hear!) Meantime this Brother will tell all his friends that he has complained to the President of the Board of General Purposes and it has had no good result (Laughter).

The following new regulation with regard to Salutes was passed:

The Salutes when given will be: The Grand Master or Pro Grand Master eleven; the Deputy Grand Master nine; R.W. Brethren seven; V.W. Brethren five; other Present and Past Grand Officers three; Provincial and District Grand Masters seven; and within their own Provinces and Districts, present Deputy Provincial and District Grand Masters and Assistant Provincial and District Grand Masters five, and present Provincial and District Grand Officers three. No Brother while acting in a higher Office may receive a salute other than that to which he is personally entitled.

To the Masonic Peace Memorial, a Lodge of Yonkers N.Y. generously contributed \$100.

1,447 members were in attendance.

The Annual Grand Festival was held in Central Hall, Westminster, 30th April, 1930, in the presence of a large gathering of notable Craftsmen.

Vistiors from Victoria and Ireland were welcomed. It was the occasion of the Duke of Connaught's 80th birthday as to which the Pro Grand Master feelingly said:

The bond of brotherhood which exists between us all is at this moment being drawn closer by a warm sentiment which is shared in equal measure by all English Freemasons and without a single spark of dissent.

Who, indeed, could speak for so great and goodly a company as the Freemasons of England, men not only of this country but of many other lands, races, creeds and colours in every part of the world, when it comes to a matter of the heart, nay more, when it is a matter of thanksgiving to Almighty God for a common heritage of good fortune.

It has been incalculable good fortune for English Freemasonry that, for thirty years past, we have had at our head a truly noble Prince who is without fear and without reproach. One to whom we can apply every test of those things that become a man and a Mason without finding anything wanting. One who throughout a long life has rendered unceasing service to God, King and Country. One who has earned unqualified admiration in every part that he has played, whether it be as a soldier, a statesman, an administrator, an ambassador, a sportsman, or a typical English gentleman.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed Lord Amptill as Pro Grand Master for the ensuing year, to which he briefly but fully responded in the following words:

Brethren, I thank you for your salutation, and I greet you well.

The Grand Secretary had a busy holiday during which he consecrated a new lodge and chapter in Jerusalem and a new chapter connected with the English Lodge in Constantinople.

No less than 1,919 members signed the Register.

The brethren met together at a dinner arranged by the Board of Grand Stewards at the Connaught Rooms.

Quarterly Communication was held June 4, 1930, the Grand Master himself on the Throne.

Members were appointed and elected to the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for aged Freemasons and widows of Freemasons, one of the three jewels of the Mother Grand Lodge.

The great Peace Memorial in the form of the new Temple grows apace.

The Board placed on record the fact that on June 5th, 1730, the then Grand Master the Duke of Norfolk signed in London a Warrant which for the first time recognized on behalf of Grand Lodge the existence of Freemasonry in the American Colonies, which formed the nucleus of the present United States.

Recognition was accorded to the following Grand Lodges Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen at Prague, the National Grand Lodge of Czecho-Slovakia also at Prague and the Grand Lodge of Jugoslavia at Belgrade. The two at Prague used different languages which accounts for the double recognition, though it probably would not have that effect if the question were to be considered by Canada.

Attention as called to a lodge not recognized in France:

Concerning the meetings of an English-speaking lodge under the Grand Orient of France, which might mislead English Brethren visiting Paris, the caution given December 5th, 1923, when the lodge in question was founded, is strongly reiterated. The Board then reported: 'That there recently has been founded in Paris an English-speaking Lodge, claiming to act according to "the English Working" under the Obedience of the Grand Orient of France. As Recognition was withdrawn from that body by the United Grand Lodge of England in 1878—a decision by this Grand Lodge which has on various occasions been unanimously confirmed—it is considered necessary to warn all members of our Lodges that they cannot visit any lodge under the Obedience of a Jurisdiction unrecognized by the United Grand Lodge of England; and, further, that under the Book of Constitutions, they cannot admit visitors therefrom.

The Board of Benevolence reported that among the grants was one to a Brother of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts which is proud to claim itself to be "the eldest child of the Grand Lodge of England in the Western Hemisphere."

Recognition was refused to Roumania on account of its close connection in its origin and its history with the Grand Orient of France.

The Grand Master will send a cablegram to all the Grand Lodges of the United States in view of the 200th anniversary and this is unanimously approved by Grand Lodge.

With regard to the "missions" to India and to Canada the Grand Master said:

We all look back with pleasure to the great success of the Mission to India, and I am sure that the present one to Canada will be equally beneficial in cementing the ties of fraternal friendship which exists between the Dominions and ourselves.

Many additions were made to the Grand Lodge Library and Museum, including a valuable one from Lincoln's Inn.

1,432 Craftsmen were in attendance.

Quarterly Communication was held 3rd September, 1930, at which the new Grand Registrar, V.W. Bro. E. A. Mitchell Innes was present.

Visitors from Tasmania, Western Australia and New Zealand were welcomed.

Eleven Lodges at the Gold Coast were formed into a Distinct Grand Lodge.

Sir William Waterlow, the Lord Mayor of London, was nominated as Grand Treasurer.

Of the Peace Memorial and the presentation of more Hall Stone Medals (including Burma and the Gold Coast) the Pro Grand Master said:

I am sure you will agree with me that it is as remarkable as it is gratifying that this distant section of the Craft, this District of which the majority of members are not of our race or our religion, should have shown such enthusiasm for our Masonic Million Memorial scheme. It is creditable to the Englishmen among them who have inspired them with enthusiasm for Freemasonry; it is equally if not more creditable to our Burmese Brethren, and Brethren of other nationalities forming the membership of our lodges in Burma that they should have the large-mindedness and foresight to recognize the importance of our new Temple, and also the spirit to recognize that one and all owe a debt to the Craft in general. They have set an example.

Among the gifts to the Museum and Library was one from Her Majesty the Queen, being an ivory box engraved with various Masonic emblems. Acknowledgment is also made of the gift from Ireland, of a copy of a manuscript of 1814 at which the Assembly declared:

That "the Three Grand Lodges were perfectly in unison in all the great and essential points of the Mysteries and Craft according to the immemorial traditions and uninterrupted usage of Antient Masons," and it laid down in detail the principles held to be essential for the good government of the Craft.

The return of the "Mission" to Canada is thus recorded:

The Board desires cordially to welcome the members of the Deputation on their return, believing that the labours they undertook will serve still more strongly to bind in fraternal relationship Brethren on both sides of the Atlantic.

With regard to which the President of the Board of General Purposes spoke thus:

M.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel says "We had a very successful celebration of our 75th anniversary, and one of the most important features was that we were favoured with a Deputation from the Mother Grand Lodge."

The re-arrangement of the finances of Grand Lodge is proposed for the December meeting with the following objects:

This appeal to the loyalty and devotion of the whole Craft will be responded to with ready good feeling, as the Board's single desire is to stabilize the Finances of the Craft, and fully and equitably to provide for all future contingencies likely to arise.

A most interesting appendix is that of the replies by United States Grand Lodges to the cablegram sent on the occasion of the Bi-centenary of American Freemasonry. We cannot resist making the following extracts of greetings from our friends and neighbors to our Mother Grand Lodge:

CALIFORNIA

This message from your distinguished Grand Master was timely and appreciated by the brethren of far-off California and Hawaii, and we extend to him and his thousands of Lodges and Brethren fervent good wishes for continued constructive Masonic work, assuring him and them of our pride of ancestry and of our constant effort to so conduct our Masonic activities that our Mother Grand Lodge will never by us be put to shame.

We appreciate the fraternal affection of our English Brethren, and particularly that the rulers of the Mother Grand Lodge have from the beginning manifested a wise understanding of the underlying principles of Freemasonry by not only affording but encouraging democratic self-government on the part of their American Brethren. We endorse fully the sage statement of Brother Sir Alfred Robbins that "if the rulers of the English State had displayed the same breadth of wisdom and understanding towards their children and kinsmen in America as from the beginning was shown by the rulers of the English Craft, there would have been no War of Independence.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (WASHINGTON)

There can be no doubt that the friendship and goodwill which should naturally exist between Great Britain and the United States are more firmly cemented by reason of the ties which unite so many of their citizens as members of the Masonic Fraternity. The kindly feeling which prompted your message will serve to strengthen the bonds between all English-speaking Masons and must necessarily make more enduring the ties which unite the two nations.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

We never forget from whence we came. Our ideas and our ideals all came to us from that great body over which you so graciously preside. We are proud of our descent. Our Masonic ancestry is ever in mind, and we work and labour to do our share for human uplift.

NORTH DAKOTA

We are fortunate in having frequent contacts with several of our Canadian Grand Lodges and you will be pleased to know that the Union Jack was displayed during the entire time of our recent Grand Communication. The utmost harmony and goodwill exists between this Grand Lodge and our neighbours to the North.

PENNSYLVANIA

Resolved, That we, the Freemasons of Pennsylvania, who have always worked in the most cordial and fraternal spirit with the Mother Grand Lodge; have taken great pride in her noble achievements, and have been greatly impressed by the splendid service rendered to his Grand Lodge and to Freemasonry everywhere, by The Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn.

VIRGINIA

The constituted authority established by the Grand Master of England in 1730 was not only accepted by the three colonies named, but by all the others to whom its influence extended. It is gratifying to be able to state that this fraternal regard and brotherly affection for the Premier Grand Lodge has continued to the present day, and is esteemed by none more than it is by Virginia.

May his bow long abide in strength and he be spared many years yet to his beloved people and United Grand Lodge of England, and that under his continued wise leadership she will become more powerful each year in continuing its blessings to mankind.

Quarterly Communication December 3rd, 1930.

The minutes of the previous meeting were amended because a Resolution passed (under protest by Wor. Bro. Upjohn) "does not say what it means and quite obviously does not mean what it says." This seems to us like a substantive amendment of matter in minutes rather than a mere clerical slip.

The finances of Grand Lodge being up for discussion, the meeting was a record one as to attendance, 2,352 being registered and a large number of brethren were unable to gain admission owing, as they said, to an invasion from the north, chiefly from Northumberland and Durham, to protest against the proposed increase of assessment.

More Hall Stones Lodge Medals were presented, the Representatives of Lodges being thus introduced by Lord Amthill:

The first of these is the duty to set up a visible and enduring memorial to the brethren who fell in the Great War. The next is your duty to one another which is towards the Craft as a whole, in providing that which is necessary for the dignity and high importance of Masonry.

The third, your duty towards posterity, is the universal human obligation. Just as generations before our time made it their business to leave us something better than that which they themselves had inherited, so it devolves upon you to leave things better than you found them for those who will come after you, so that none will say hereafter that this generation is unworthy of its trust.

£4,085 were expended in benevolence during the Quarter.

Discipline is inculcated on Masters, Secretaries and members in the following words:

The Board, therefore, feels it incumbent once more to remind Masters generally of the necessity for fulfilling in the spirit as well as in the letter the obligation taken previous to their Installation "strictly to conform to every Edict of Grand Lodge." It is not only for the Master but the brethren generally to obey those Edicts, and brethren can fairly plead ignorance of such unless they are made acquainted with them.

Among the distinguished dead that the Board had the melancholy duty to report are R.W. Bro. Rt. Hon. the Earl of Birkenhead, V.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, and V.W. Bro. Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Worcester.

A note of warning against promiscuous begging and charity is thus spoken:

We would also emphasize the paragraph in the Report about peripatetic beggars as a great deal of harm is done by indiscriminate charity.

Of the "Mission" to Canada the Pro Grand Master thus spoke:

I need not remind you that among the many great services His Royal Highness has rendered to the nation and the Empire, none was more conspicuous and valuable than the brilliant tenure of the post of Governor-General of Canada. His Royal Highness has a very warm place in his heart for Canada and her people, and on that account, as well as out of his constant concern for the honour of Grand Lodge, he took the keenest possible interest in the Mission Our good name in the world depends, of course, to some extent upon our good manners, for it is manners that are the making of nations and communities no less than of the individual man.

A very vigorous debate led by Sir John Ferguson, who is never forgotten here, followed, with regard to finances; and the discussion on readjustment carried on by statisticians from their respective points of view, makes most interesting reading and shows the virility especially of the men from the north as well as of those from the centre. The proposal is briefly summarized by Sir John Ferguson as follows:

Brethren must realize that the Board appreciates its responsibilities to the Craft, as a whole, and it is as much concerned with a member of a lodge situated in the most distant part of the Empire as it is with a brother who belongs to a lodge meeting in the Provinces or at Headquarters itself. Consequently, in coming to any conclusion the Board must bear constantly in mind that its actions affect every individual brother under the constitution, and therefore, the principle of its proposals must be one which should apply to each individual.

The actual proposal briefly is that in London and the Provinces we propose to discontinue the existing payment of 6d. to the Building Fund. We then propose that each member of a London Lodge be called upon to pay 3s. each year, and brethren in the Provinces and Overseas 2s. each year. Therefore, so far as London brethren are concerned we ask for a net increase of 2s. 6., and from Provincial brethren 1s. 6d. per annum. The claim it makes, therefore, is on the Brother, not on the lodge or even a group of lodges. It is a matter of a levy of small dimensions which can be collected by a lodge.

The note all through is that whatever is done by the United Grand Lodge of England, "let us see to it that it will keep the Grand Lodge of England united."

The debate was finally on the motion of the President of the Board of General Purposes adjourned to the next Quarterly Communication, the Pro Grand Master's ruling being worded in very definite language as follows:

I think that the motion for adjournment is carried. (Cries of "No!") One moment, brethren. You can have a count if you like, but let me remind you of the consequences. A promise has been given that nothing shall be decided tonight because such a large number or brethren have been locked out. Therefore, if you continue this debate you will be wasting your time as you cannot decide anything tonight. Do you wish for a count? (Cries of "No"). The motion for the adjournment is carried.

Recognition was given to the Grand Lodge of Vienna.

More replies from United States Grand Lodges were received. Space only permits one from Colorado:

We believe with you that the combined efforts of Anglo-Saxon Freemasonry have done much to advance the cause of civilization and cement the bonds of brotherhood that make us all akin.

And one from New York:

We were thrilled by the greetings of your Illustrious Grand Master. Nothing in our long associations had ever brought us more pleasure. You know how cordially we reciprocate the greetings of our Mother Grand Lodge.

On the eve of our own joyous Jubilee our thoughts have been centred upon from whence we came.

As we close this Review we read with profound regret of the death of Sir Alfred Robbins. The whole Craft has lost a tried, true, and trusty friend—a pillar, a column, an ornament, a leader.

W.N.P.

FLORIDA

Stafford Caldwell, M.W. Grand Master.

Wilber P. Webster, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and first Communication was held at Tallahassee April 15th, 1930. Eight Past Grand Masters present but Canada's Grand Representative did not answer Roll Call.

A most extraordinary and unique array of distinguished visitors was welcomed and honoured. Among them the following (with many others)—the Governor of the State, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief Justice and Justices of the Supreme Court, with the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master of Georgia and Louisiana.

Flowers were sent in profusion by Eastern Star Grand Matrons and a Gavel was presented by W. Bro. Baldus composed of three different kinds of Florida wood and of part of the tree under which George Washington took command of the Continental Army, the latter furnished by our old friend Dudley H. Ferrell of Massachusetts.

The Grand Master believed that his best appreciation of the honours conferred upon him, was expressed by unselfish service without stint or limit. Among many other verses of a striking poem he recited:

There is no death! The stars go down
To rise upon some other shore,
And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
They shine for evermore.

And ever near us, though unseen,
The dear immortal spirits tread;
For all the boundless universe
Is life—there are no dead!

Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of the High School Building at Ponce de Leon.

He made many decisions, setting them out in the most educative way with his reasons. Space permits the following brief extracts from some of them:

I answer your question by advising that it is improper to hold a political meeting in a lodge room.

Visiting brethren can be admitted only with the unanimous consent of the lodge. The fact that an applicant may be an element of discord to the lodge he wishes to visit is sufficient reason for his exclusion.

One of the aims and missions of Masonry is to so school the heart and educate the mind of its members that they will in the civic affairs of the state and nation exemplify and practice those principles upon which any government must be founded if it is to endure.

The Masonic lodge judges a brother on the merits of the case and evidence as presented to the lodge and is bound in no way to accept the determination of guilt of a civil court. In one case the brother is being tried for the violation of a specific law, or a specific and technical offense; in the other case for un-Masonic conduct; and offense against the moral code, in which technicalities do not enter.

The spirit of our Masonic jurisprudence prevents a lodge from appointing a lodge member to represent the lodge on an Advisory Board of a Chamber of Commerce.

The remains of a Brother resulting from cremation can be interred with Masonic ceremonies. The Masons do not attempt to dictate to the relatives of a deceased brother concerning the mode of disposing of his remains but will inter those remains with Masonic honors, when by Masonic law and usage he has become entitled to same.

The time of interment is when the remains are consigned to their last resting place. I do not believe that interment under the ground is a necessary requisite to a Masonic funeral.

He conducted also a voluminous correspondence in reply to enquiries and appears to have been the right man in the right place.

Under Education he says:

Free and Accepted Masonry has always been the friend of education and the sponsor of a public free school system.

He believes in contact between Grand Lodge and the constituent lodges, and endeavoured "to bridge the gap that now exists".

One of the useful factors in and output of the Masonic Home is thus spoken of:

The Grand Master has patronized our Home printing plant at the Masonic Home, calling upon it for all of the printing of the Grand Master which it was in position to do, and requested the Committee on Printing to do likewise with the printing of the Grand Lodge.

He says that nine-tenths of his time has been devoted to Executive and administrative work of the Craft and this materially decreased the number of visitations possible. However he did his share.

His conclusion (closing with the patriarchal benediction) is striking and he appeals for united action:

It is not the guns or armament
Or the money they can pay,
It's the close co-operation
That makes them win the day.

Membership 31,262. Net loss 1,039. This Florida bears bravely.

The Centennial of Grand Lodge was duly celebrated.

The Committee on Jurisprudence backed up the Grand Master in recommending that Florida retain its membership in the Masonic Service Association. Correspondence as to the "Order of Beatitudes" was filed.

The Committee on Thanks illustrate the virtue of gratitude with a cornucopia profusion of flowers of language extending over five closely printed pages. We wonder how they could ever tear themselves away from the charms of Tallahassee.

Wallace R. Cheves was elected Grand Master.

George W. Clendenan of Toronto, represents Florida, and Silas B. Wright represents Canada.

The Fraternal Correspondence by our veteran and experienced friend, Ely P. Hubbell is preceded by a useful chart of statistics and membership prepared by him. From his Foreword we take the following worthy thoughts:

Again it is a pleasure to present gleanings from the proceedings of other Grand Lodges in as compact and readable form as seems consistent with their relative importance, ever bearing in mind that what will interest one reader may appear twaddle to another, and the best ye scribe can hope is that somewhere in these reviews the reader will find something that will both inform and inspire.

The brethren generally are more and more appearing to realize that anything incompatible with the open Great Light is entirely out of place in a Masonic lodge, which in no sense, as ye scribe looks at it, was ever intended to be a playhouse.

Ye scribe may be "old fashioned", but he fails to see any material difference in the deportment which should prevail in any gathering where the open Bible is displayed, whether it be in a Masonic assemblage or in a religious service.

A new element of Masonic Homes is increasing longevity. We read in the review of Alabama:

So satisfactory, it was stated, are the conditions existing in the Masonic Home that the "elderly people live far beyond their allotted time." At the close of the year the guests numbered 63 adults and 340 children.

He agrees with Alberta in discountenancing raffles, saying:

He peremptorily ordered cessation of the sale of tickets for a raffle, for, he said, it is contrary to the Criminal Code of the Dominion as well as "entirely foreign to the spirit of the fraternity."

In the British Columbia Review he asks a pointed question:

The comment pertaining to the laying of the corner stone of the addition to our Masonic Home causes ye scribe to wonder if any of our Canadian Brethren seriously class the Order of the Eastern Star with an entirely different organization, and with which there is not and can not be any connection, called Co-Masonry?

Canada at Ottawa is appreciatively reviewed. He calls Grand Master Martin's address both practical and comprehensive. He speaks of his comments upon loss in membership each year in the following words:

Without reviewing the cause of this wastage, he desired to impress on the brethren "that this is a time for actions not words."

Praise is given to and merited by the Report on the Condition of Masonry:

Instructive and inspiring is the report of the Board on the condition of Masonry, which derives its information from personal observation. The report seems to center around the definition of a model Grand Master, as given by its first Grand Master, M.W. Bro. William M. Wilson, and which, "was extensively copied and favorably commented on by many of the Grand Lodges of the United States."

My colleague E. B. Brown's review of Florida is thus commented upon:

William N. Ponton appears to have had the assistance of "E. B. B." in the preparation of the report on correspondence, and which no doubt accounts for this statement in the review of Florida: "We find nothing to comment or criticise in Florida's volume. It is a record of success and prosperity." Canada's report is a valuable compendium and well worth reading.

Again we read a eulogy on small lodges under Idaho:

The brethren of the smaller lodges are accomplishing more and better work than are many of the larger ones.

Quite an argument in favor of more lodges and with smaller membership.

Under Illinois we have this fertile summary:

Business and statesmanship combine in the address of Grand Master Emmerson who reported that "Masonry in Illinois continues in strength and beneficent influence," and that its mission is threefold: to continue the peace and harmony it now enjoys; to keep inviolate and secure the ancient landmarks, and to enlarge its sphere of service.

New York's warning is emphasized and repeated:

He well sounded a note of warning not to admit to membership to the lodge "those who are likely to become a burden, and who may perhaps be seeking membership because of that fact."

Scotland always furnishes some nuggets for the Reviewer:

In the oration delivered at the Funeral Grand Lodge this tribute was paid to late Grand Master Mason, The Right Honorable The Lord Blytheswood; "He was a Briton of the Britons, and a Scot of the Scots."

In his general notes he says that the nine Grand Lodges in Canada show a net gain of 4,872—a good showing.

Again the barnacles come in for a rub in his review of Ohio:

Neither did he look with approval upon social organizations having Masonic membership as a prerequisite, truly stating: "The uninitiated not knowing the difference between fundamental Masonry and these organizations is apt to form a poor opinion of the institution."

GEORGIA

Hugh W. Taylor, M.W. Grand Master.

Frank F. Baker, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and forty-fourth annual Communication was held in Macon, October 28, 1930. Nine Past Grand Masters, including M.W. Bro. Raymund Daniel, reported for duty.

Canada was represented by C. Percy Taylor.

The Grand Master's address was a striking one.

These assemblies are not held to confer honors upon men, but to serve them.

One year ago, by your sovereign right, you conferred upon me the greatest opportunity to serve my fellow men that has ever come to me.

Here is an interesting difference of opinion between Maine and Georgia:

The Grand Representatives of Alberta, Maine, Manitoba, Minnesota, and South Australia, having failed to attend two consecutive sessions of the Grand Lodge, other brethren were recommended as Grand Representatives.

The Grand Lodge of Maine refused to recognize this as a sufficient cause to revoke a commission and requested that Brother Bowe be continued as Grand Representative of Maine. This request was granted.

Franklin D. Roosevelt of Albany, N.Y. was appointed Grand Representative of Georgia, and Sir Henry Goschen of London, England, was also appointed.

He thinks a great deal of the Shrine and with regard to the Toronto meeting says:

Starting with the inculcation of patriotism it should be the aim of every Temple to align itself with every movement for National, State and City betterment.

Like a great unharnessed water power the Mystic Shrine is a potential power for good.

In connection with the Triennial Session of Royal Arch Masons he says:

The foundation laid in Symbolic Masonry in Georgia, is found to be a substantial one upon which strong men may stand and support great responsibilities.

Nine cornerstones were laid during the year.

Two of his decisions are:

Q. The initiate has served a term in the Federal Penitentiary for violation of the prohibition law. Would this be a bar to his advancement in Masonry?

A. No. Within itself, it would not.

Q. Is a violation of the State Game and Fish Law a Masonic offense?

A. "Violation of the laws of the land involving moral turpitude". . . I interpret that a simple violation of the Game and Fish law is not a Masonic offense, since it does not involve moral turpitude. However, it is very becoming to Masons to be law-abiding citizens.

Under Charters we read:

I believe in small units. There is just as much Masonry in a small lodge as there is in a large one. A great many of our active outstanding Georgia Masons are products of small lodges. There is a personal development which Freemasonry gives to its active young men which qualifies and makes them more useful in church and civic affairs of which, in a measure they are deprived in large units.

He speaks under Visitations of the social nature which God has created in man.

Exercising his prerogative he made a Mason at sight of Judge Jones, saying:

Judge Jones is a veteran of the Civil War, having lost a leg in one of the engagements, and has walked with crutches ever since. Judge Jones was elected to receive the degrees of Masonry when called to the colors of the Civil War, and all that kept him from being a Mason today is that he was incapacitated by the loss of a leg from having the degrees conferred. He is the father of our beloved Grand Treasurer, Frank C. Jones, and it has been a great joy to him.

A Club has found a useful outlet for activity:

This club furnishes the milk supply for the crippled children at the Scottish-Rite Hospital.

He says that appropriation and expenses must conform to income.

He speaks highly of the "Masonic Messenger," receipt of which this reviewer appreciated for many years. It was printed, as these whole Proceedings are, at the Masonic Home Print Shop by the boys and girls under skilled supervision.

Under Necrology this verse:

It seems such a little way to me,
Across to that strange country, the Beyond;
And yet not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am so fond,
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
As journeying friends bring distant regions near.

Here is a striking allegory or parable of similitudes which may come home to all of us:

And now, may we think of Freemasonry in Georgia as one great machine of service in transportation. An auto for instance.

We find the real pulling power in many small cogs which represent our brethren back home, the Master Masons.

The representatives here, Masters of lodges and Past Masters, members of this Grand Lodge, are whole cog wheels.

The committees of the Grand Lodge represent the chassis, or frame work. The main body is the Grand Lodge. The line of grand officers are the soft cushions, upon which the Grand Master sits or reclines when weary.

The Board of Custodians of the Uniform Work represent the inflated tires which carry the works over rough roads, smoothly.

The line of Past Grand Masters represents the brilliant lights which shine ahead and lighten up dark places.

The Grand Master represents the chauffeur who handles the cranks, tightens on the nuts and passes about armed with a long spouted can dispensing little drops of oil among the cogs.

We have now completed our journey without a wreck and thanks be unto God, arrived safely into the garage from whence we started one year ago.

Louisiana and Florida furnished distinguished visitors.

Membership 61,859. The loss is not calculated but it would seem to be considerable.

A Committee proposed a rather radical Bill by way of economy, objecting to special Committees and proposing a reduced membership of standing Committees.

W. G. Mealor was elected Grand Master.

We extract this from the Report of the Director on Masonic Welfare:

Throughout the year the Home has been in a crowded condition. At all times we have had a large waiting list. The general financial conditions of the country of course have increased the demands upon us and it is with great regret that we have not been able to receive all of them that come to us.

Georgia's records are behind the time, or is it our fault? The late M.W. Bro. W. R. White, K.C. is still on its records as the Grand Representative of Georgia, a post now held by R.W. W. J. Thompson. of the Sault.

When we say that the Fraternal Correspondence is the product of the hand, head and heart of Raymund Daniel, P.G.M., we know that our readers will anticipate something out of the ordinary. His introduction takes the form of a dissertation on "The New Summons," in the course of which he said:

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth. . . .

For the former things are passed away. . . Behold, I make all things new.

Behold, I make all things new! The prophecy written in the lonely waste of Patmos Isle is being fulfilled after the march of nearly twenty hundred years. All things must continually become new. Deterioration and death come in stagnation. Retrogression kills quickly, but inertia—"Standing still—" and indifference torturingly strangle and smother.

In human history there has been no age like ours; and it is ours, a glorious era in which to live. Coming periods hardly can be more marvelous, for there will not be the same parallels of comparison with the past.

When it is stated that many of the practices of Freemasonry are passing, it is not meant that Freemasonry is passing.

Nor is there tolerance for the statement that "if a man is a good Freemason, he does not need to be a church man." Rather is there the personal conviction that the more the Freemason is a good churchman, in the true sense, the better Freemason he will be.

These things I do know and state; Freemasonry is not merely ceremony, not solely fanatically expounded mysticism, not just brick, mortar and stone. It is the flesh, the blood, the heart-throbs, the joys, the sorrows, the hopes, the aim and attainments that all the various forms of life hold and present.

The new and potent spirit of the world is an assertive and not negative doctrine.

The new summons for our Craft today is for PERFORMANCE instead of observance. Performance will require observance, but observance does not always induce performance.

With the discovery of life's new laws, with the achievement of the mastery of himself, man is learning that "the kingdom is within". This is the "NEW EARTH".

The answer of Freemasons, confronted by tasks and opportunities, as never before presented is:

"Here is my job. I will take it. I will do it!"

So, Freemasonry is imperilled chiefly today, not because of the aggressiveness of its radicals, but by the indifference of the conservatives, who do not have "the depth and dream of desire" to assist in making the world a better place in which to live.

Unfortunately for the Craft it would seem to be his "Swan Song" as the Grand Master appointed another Reviewer, of which he speaks thus:

On account of the will and pleasure of the Most Worshipful, in appointing a new Foreign Correspondent, I am submitting my last report to the Craft.

The fifteen years of service have brought wonderful friendships, not alone in Georgia Masonry, but in other grand jurisdictions, that neither time nor distance terminate.

There is the rue of mistakes and failure in the silent service I have endeavored to give, but there are also the rosemary of remembrances—and unchanging love.

This from his Review of Arkansas:

In his annual address the Grand Master gave the valuable recommendation "that the lodges at each communication repeat the Master obligation and comment thereon, thus keeping it fresh in their memory."

Of Whited's California topical Report he says:

It is brilliant as an essay, but one misses the individual touch and contact with the various grand jurisdictions:

He speaks well of Canada, making long quotations from Grand Master Martin's address:

The principles of Freemasonry, in all their purity, are found in Canada. It seems that for some reason—perhaps for the greatness of its leaders—our Canadian brethren catch and fulfill the vision of the possibilities of our Craft.

Always an interesting feature, the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters offer much food for thought.

Conclusions are derived from these reports and presented in a statement from the Board on the Condition of Masonry that are deemed as immortal declarations. Those statements written by Bro. Ponton, when he was chairman of the board, can never die. Those who preceded him and have followed him have left their imprint upon the minds and hearts of the Fraternity.

The report by W. S. Herrington, offers inspirations beyond description. It is a sincere regret that its reproduction must be limited.

That giant of Freemasonry, Ponton offers the review. There is no "Introduction"—no "Conclusion," but throughout the reports of various grand jurisdictions runs the Master Hand.

We thank him for his encouraging words. Praise from such a source is praise indeed.

Under District of Columbia Review we read:

Our first impression of Georgia, during the Civil War, is enduring. Though taking part in a war, I could never lose sight of the beautiful, well behaved women, nor can I ever forget the luscious water melons. That was before I was old enough to be a Mason.

We respond gladly to this sentiment under England:

Sometimes, the Masonic world may not realize all that the British Craft perform—so quietly, so unassumingly, yet so thoroughly it is all done.

He strikes out under Kansas:

We are not modernists—we do not believe in "pushing aside" the altar, for "physical desires," but we do believe in offering Brethren "personal refreshment" and mental food. The gods know there is nothing more boring than the continued stereotyped ritualism and parrot patterned rendition of lectures that offer mysticism more than enlightenment of knowledge that will aid Freemasons to become closer in heart as well as mind.

This from the Michigan Review:

Following an order by the Grotto covering the behavior of its members in public, the Grand Master issued this statement:

"It would seem to your Grand Master that the Masons composing the membership of that organization themselves should resent such an edict, as it reflects upon their behavior and character as Master Masons, if it be not true."

He expresses our opinion under South Carolina:

For the life of us we cannot see why a brother cannot belong to as many lodges as he wishes to.

M.W. Bro. Raymund Daniel also presented a Review of 1929 in a separate volume, up to his usual high standard and in his characteristic style. His introduction is on the subject of "Three Words" from which we make the following extracts:

Across our desk recently came a copy of the essays of the late Richard Chenevix Trench, Lord Bishop, on "The Study of Words."

Language is "fossil poetry".

The phrase is a striking one; the only fault which one might be tempted to find with it is that it is too narrow. Language may be, and indeed is, this "fossil poetry"; but it may be affirmed of it with exactly the same truth that it is fossil ethics, or fossil history.

Even so are the words of Masonry the precious jewels that half-conceal and half-reveal the ideals and principles of our Crafthood. There are words that lead the analyzing and imaginative mind to the storehouse of treasures. There is the single word that will be a "concentrated poem"—a mystical symbol of some spiritual thing: there are intricately fashioned phrases whose formation brings us to the discoveries of imperishable truths.

In all of the "language of Masonry," three words stand out predominantly. They are: Come, Abide, Proceed.

There comes no greater hurt to the Fraternity than the misrepresentation of Masonry by ill-prepared or unprepared members. There is no greater injustice than the rush of men of Symbolic Masonry to the dependent bodies before they have comprehended and possessed the virtues of the three degrees. There is no more pitiable occurrence than the self-created "letter perfect ritualist," who sacrifices knowledge for catechism.

The responsibilities of a Master Mason are four; to self, to God, to Masonry, and to Humanity.

Not only "by thy words thou shalt be justified and by words thou shalt be condemned," but by our fulfilment of our words shall we be justified or condemned

He speaks out under Arkansas:

It was necessary for the Grand Master to issue an emphatic warning when members of other bodies, made up of Masons, degenerate their gatherings into "clownishness and buffoonery." He advised, through an edict, that any

lodge that fails to discipline any member for improper conduct, as a member of another body, shall have its charter immediately forfeited.

Of Canada, as usual, he writes appreciatively with long quotations:

A grand jurisdiction with a vision of all the possibilities of Freemasonry and an ability to make ideals come true is the great characteristic of Canada (in Ontario) and there come always fresh inspiration and influence in its Proceedings.

Two features ever are outstanding in the annual volume of our sister grand jurisdiction. They are the yearly report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry and the Correspondence Report.

Invaluable advice comes from Grand Master John S. Martin.

With a dignity not surpassed by any and a clearness distinctly his own, our distinguished friend brings a new method of presenting the year of Masonry.

Manitoba receives high attention:

We do not need a tremendous influx of new members, but rather to re-vitalize the Masonic spirit of our present membership. And to its purity we should add our zeal.

Under New South Wales he utters a pregnant truth:

The Grand Master condemned most strongly the use of paper napkins having the square and compasses with the letter "G" and forbade their future use. "The letter 'G'," he stated, "is of too great significance to Masons to be used for serviette purposes, and such serviettes must not be used in future."

ILLINOIS

Edward C. Mullen, M.W. Grand Master.

Richard C. Davenport, M.W. Grand Secretary.

Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge Dr. Bundesen after a musical programme, wielded an oratorical lance in an endeavour to change the view point on "Chicago the American Paradox". He certainly made a fine impression by showing that there is perhaps another side to this metropolis of the West. As a matter of almost world wide interest let us make extracts from his address, copious enough to give his argument:

What rank injustice it is to spread these negative impressions which are so damnably tarnished by falsehoods. Really, "there is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it hardly behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us."

Chicago is a prosperous and industrious city, where property is safe, where the person who is where he ought to be and who is doing what he ought to do, need have no fear for his safety, and where rewards for hard work and decent living are as great as in any other community.

True, we have our proportion of criminals, but its gangsters are just a handful of misfit individuals, attracting undue notice to themselves by their spectacular acts. But, remember too, that for every criminal we have thousands, yes, tens of thousands, of decent, fine, good citizens who are paying their debts, living honorable lives, and bringing up their children in an environment of good character.

I think that Chicago has been brave and frank and has had fine foresight and great vision in admitting to the world that she has a weakness, a problem not peculiar to Chicago alone, but common to all cities in America. In admitting this weakness and turning the healing light of publicity upon it, Chicago is arousing the interest and support of her good citizens to the end that they are giving of their brains, energy, labor and time to see that she is governed in the right way.

And thus he typically concluded:

Yes, and I am proud to be just what I am—a Chicagoan. Our Chicago—Wonder City of the West, and one of the greatest cities at the edge of the West. You bet!

The Ninety-first meeting was held in Chicago, 14th, October, 1930, Nine Past Grand Masters supporting the Grand East.

From the G.M's address we take the following illustrative sections:

Since I have been privileged to serve as Grand Master, I have had an exceptional opportunity to study human nature. I have met strong men.

What is there about this institution that seems to hold this great army of men in one harmonious whole? It is that something (call it what you will) that is invisible, omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent.

"Understanding is a well-spring of life unto them that have it."

We are making a mistake by allowing our doors to stand open to the public. I am referring to Installations and Dedications.

"It is our severe critics who feed us."

An old maxim has it that "If only one person seems disagreeable to you, give him medicine, but, if everyone seems disagreeable to you, take the medicine."

There are nearly 35,000 Illinois members sojourners in other Jurisdictions.

Further thoughts on various topics are as follows:

It was never Masonry's purpose to admit to its fraternity unwholesome or weak characters in the hope that they might be reformed into good Masons.

When a Mason recommends a petitioner he does so on his honor as a Mason.

Quite a number of us have investments in the way of stocks and bonds and mortgages, yet I wonder how many have investments in human beings, and what a wonderful opportunity is opened to us if we were only a little more familiar with conditions as they exist.

To witness these children in school or at play is to know that they are happy, healthy, normal, and fun-loving little people.

The Committee on the Grand Master's Report say:

While we realize that the office of Grand Master vests its possessor with the highest honor, yet we should be mindful of the fact that the duties and responsibilities of the office require an outstanding mentality and character and the exercise of tact, resourcefulness and sound judgment.

Membership 294,011. Net loss 198. Number of lodges 1013.

Grand Master Mullen was re-elected.

The Committee on Financial Research whose report was adopted, recommended a Committee whose duties should be among others:

To prepare standard budget and accounting forms for lodges and instruct the proper officers in the correct use of such forms

During the year the Home received two very substantial bequests. This is the record of all Masonic Homes. They are something concrete calling for philanthropy either before or after death.

The Report of the Committee on Obituaries may be summarized as follows:

One of the finest blessings to mankind is the gift of a cherished memory. Each break in our ranks robs us of a friend and brother but adds to the memories that sustain us in our own approach to the sunset of life.

Grand Orator Kropf delivered the annual oration in which among other good things he said:

In the hurry and strife of a busy world we too often fail to remember that "flowers on the casket cast no fragrance back on life's weary way."

And I ask myself this question
When my goodly gifts I see,
Have I been a friend to as many men,
As are good friends to me.

Masonry fosters love and reverence for our country's flag. I have always prized my Masonic membership in this state, but my brethren, I am doubly proud of that membership since the Masons of Illinois—that state which gave to the Union a Lincoln, a Grant and a Logan, that state whose brave sons helped to carry the nation's emblem to victory on many a battlefield—have unfurled the stars and stripes in every Masonic lodge.

What constitutes a state? Not high raised battlement, or labored mound, thick wall, or moated gate; not cities, proud with spires and turrets crowned, nor bays and broad-armed ports, where laughing at the storm, rich navies ride, nor starred and spangled courts—No!—men, high minded men, with powers as far above all brutes endowed, as beasts excel cold rocks and brambles; men, who their duties know, but know their rights, and knowing dare maintain.

Do you know that over 9,000 people are lawlessly killed in the United States each year; that little more than one-half of these killers are arrested and that hardly one in six is convicted? Do you know that in proportion to population there are 20 times as many homicides in the U.S. than there are in Great Britain; that burglaries are three times as common here.

If we fondly harbor the delusion that we are a free people, it is only because we close our eyes to what is going on around us and childishly under-estimate the strength of the unseen army which constitutes our vicious minority—an army which acts as one man because it is bound together by a common desire to go on making a living by defying the law and preying upon society. Arrayed against it is a larger army of decent citizens.

Wendell Phillips said that "with us law is nothing, unless close behind it stands a warm, living public opinion."

Sylvester O. Spring duly represented Canada.

F. W. Harcourt, K.C., whose name with us is a household word, represents Illinois.

The Masonic Old Peoples' Home cared for 271 members, the average age being 74, the average cost per member a month \$45.50.

Again Delmar D. Darragh edits the Reviews and makes smooth the path by his admirable introduction entitled "Impressions by the Way" giving his point of view under various headings. He says that if we all thought alike there would be no progress in the world. He then takes up thoughtfully and calmly the relationship of the Eastern Star to Grand Lodge, entitling the result of experience as "Divorce Proceedings Pending". Of the prestige of belonging to a lodge he well says:

Already signs indicate that there is an awakening to the fact that Freemasonry was never intended for the many, and that its appeal is only to those individuals who are seeking in life the moral and ethical.

He thinks there is too much exclusive Masonic state sovereignty and says:

This is all due to the old Masonic idea of state sovereignty. Every grand jurisdiction in the United States is today a self-satisfied Masonic entity. It makes its own laws, rules and regulations.

A world understanding among Masons is highly desirable at the present time. It is doubtful if such a convention could be brought about. Too many grand lodges are selfish and self-centered, and look upon themselves as the *sine qua non* of Freemasonry.

Masonry suffers more today from state sovereignty than from anything else. Every grand jurisdiction interprets Masonry according to the ideas and opinions of its leaders.

The conference of grand masters held every year in Washington is accomplishing considerable good, but this is looked upon as a means of boosting the George Washington Memorial. A Masonic Congress should be completely separated from all other projects, and until this is done we are not going to get anywhere. If Masonry is going to succeed in the future it can only do so through united Masonic effort.

Under Physical Qualifications we read:

Nothing more cowardly can be offered than this excuse. Here is a great fraternity that pretends that it wants to do all the good in the world that it can. It boasts about its charity; it brags about its relief; it points with pride to its great widows', orphans' and members' homes, and yet it says that it does not want to take a one-armed man into the fraternity for fear he will become a burden upon it. One of the great troubles with the Masonic fraternity today is that it is becoming selfish and self-centered.

He entitles a long and searching paragraph "The Time Wasters":

With a good many lodge officers, time doesn't seem to amount to anything. This recalls the story of a Mason who was traveling through one of our southern states. He noticed a man carrying a lot of corn fodder from one lot quite a little distance to where some hogs were. The man said, "Why don't you drive the hogs over into the lot where the fodder is? It would save you a lot of time." The man with the bundle of fodder in his arms replied, "Oh, what's time to a hog?"

For Internal Organizations he has no use:

Grand masters are quite right in condemning organizations within the lodge. If these are permitted to multiply and carry on their various practices it means the ultimate ruination of Freemasonry. Nothing should be done in the name of the lodge in which all the brethren are not permitted to participate. No other organizations can be recognized.

Itinerant Degree Teams find no favor. They are a growing menace in all Jurisdictions:

The practice of Freemasonry should be confined wholly and solely to lodges of Masons. Individuals have no right to organize special groups for the exemplification of degrees unless under the direct control of a regularly constituted lodge.

He offers several suggestions as to lodge attendance, one of them as follows:

Lodges as a rule, hold too many meetings.

One solution of the present decline in lodge attendance will be found in grouping the work. If lodges instead of calling a special meeting to confer the second degree upon a candidate will be permitted to group their work so that they will be able to confer their degrees upon classes of candidates, it will be found that there will be a new awakening in Masonry.

On the subject of Small Lodges he says:

It is believed that genuine Masonry receives better practice in the small lodge of two or three hundred rather than in the big lodge.

In nearly every large lodge it will be found that just a small group are responsible for its conduct. As no opportunity is offered to but a few, the majority of the membership soon lose their interest.

Illinois thinks we have too much Ritual and we must confess that others are beginning to think so also:

The thought has been advanced in several quarters that perhaps we are wearing our members out with too much ritual. It has been suggested that the charges at the close of degrees are long, tiresome, boresome dissertations, and that these might with propriety be reduced and condensed. It should not be forgotten that Masonry during the last forty or fifty years has been largely in control of the ritualists.

Church services which extend over an hour or an hour and a quarter bring a big complaint from the pews; and if a sermon extends over thirty minutes objection is immediately raised that it is too long. If this condition prevails in the churches, what must be the feeling in a Masonic lodge where a ceremonial is dragged out.

Bad Business Methods are thus referred to:

Money is voted out of the treasury without anybody trying to find out just what the condition of the strong box happens to be.

Grand lodges are commencing to arrange budget systems for lodges, and compelling them to make an audit of their income and expenditures and to keep within the appropriations that are allotted.

They are units which go to make up the grand lodge; therefore, the grand lodge has a right to say to each what they shall do, and what they shall not do.

Queer how Bro. DeWolf-Smith of British Columbia seems to run up against so many Jurisdictions:

Bro. DeWolf says he does not agree with this writer in his "Impressions by the Way," but he did nevertheless, copy some of them.

We appreciate his appreciative review of Canada, in which he incidentally says:

The G.M. presents subjects in an interesting manner. He records the number of dispensations which he granted and expresses approval of the change in the law whereby no fee is charged for dispensations to hold divine service.

Bro. Martin is very enthusiastic about Masonic education and thinks there is a wonderful field for study and research.

Reports of Canadian D.D.G.M's are thorough and complete documents. They go fully and completely into the general details of the year's work. The board makes an analysis of Masonic conditions in the jurisdiction and presents such suggestions as they deem necessary for the betterment of the Craft.

Of our review he is kindly in his remarks:

He briefly paraphrases the outstanding points in the introduction to the report. This writer is deeply grateful to Brother Ponton for the very generous and kindly manner in which he has treated the correspondence report.

Under Montana we read:

A club of Master Masons wanted to appeal to the lodges of jurisdiction for moneys to pay off the debts on their club house. The grand master very wisely said "No."

We would like to make more extracts from the nuggets which his searching eye discovers but space only permits this final one from Utah:

What is needed more than anything else at the present time is for the grand lodges of the world to surrender some of their ideas of independent state sovereignty and get together, and agree upon some fundamental principles which can be accepted the world over as established standards of Freemasonry.

IOWA

Charles Almon Dewey, M.W. Grand Master.

Charles Clyde Hunt, R.W. Grand Secretary.

From the biography of the Grand Master we learn that he is an esteemed Judge of the United States District Court.

From the invocation which preceded the public exercises before Grand Lodge opened we make this quotation:

We thank Thee for all of life's friendships, and we seek the continuance of Thy loving favor. Grant Thy blessings to our beloved country, and all those who bear the burden of leadership in the establishment and maintenance of the common good.

The response to the address of welcome contained this sentence:

There are in the country today forces at work which would tear down this government of ours.

Mrs. Sarah Bachman, Grand Matron of the Eastern Star, addressed Grand Lodge, saying:

You know, I was surprised to find that there are nearly as many Eastern Stars in the State of Iowa as there are Masons.

I am not a member of your Order. I have never been made a Mason. This is one privilege which has not been tendered me yet. I do not know your secret signs or passes, but I have learned to respect Masonry, not for what I do not know about it, but rather because of what I do know about it.

I feel that the tenets of Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star converge. "Woman's heart beats responsive to the same inspiration that prompts man to noble deeds."

And I trust that the beautiful relationship which exists between the Grand Lodge of Iowa and the Eastern Star may continue always; and in the words of Robert Morris, may we "Ever meet upon the Level and part upon the Square".

The Eighty-seventh annual Communication was held at Des Moines, June 10, 1930. A fine array of fifteen Past Grand Masters were welcomed.

Memorial responses were given as the names of those who had passed away during the year were read. Under that for the late C. W. Walton we read:

Sometimes—when of the olden time I'm dreaming,
Their aproned forms in order round me stand;
So real to me their presence seeming,
I can but long to greet them hand to hand.

Still, from those loved and long gone days returning,
A host of tender memories will come,
Till all my lonely heart is filled with yearning
For brethren true who've trod the journey home.

We have a mistaken notion, I think, at times about the work which a man is doing here upon earth. We are too apt to think that perhaps he has to die to go to Heaven to get a reward.

Louis Block delivered a characteristic response for Sidney Smith, from which we quote:

"Hellow, Central, give me Paradise 3,000".

Sidney answers:

"You just talk to them the way I would if I was there. You give them a jolly—just jolly them."

"See here, Sidney, that won't do, this is a solemn occasion, this is a memorial occasion, and the boys might not think it was quite proper and quite dignified if I talked to them the way you would, the way you want me to. I am to talk about a dead Mason."

"Hold on there. I am not a dead Mason. Have you forgotten all your Masonic teaching? A dead Mason! Block, there hain't no sich animal, and you know it."

"I guess maybe you are right."

"There are a lot of good fellows over here."

The Grand Master in his introductory address said:

We are living in an experimental age of government in these United States.

But the increased standard of living, the wealth accrued from advancement in science and invention, and the liberality of our laws in protecting the rights of the individual, all have encouraged moral delinquencies and immoral practices that threaten society and even our government.

The Grand Master is outspoken:

Several times my attention has been called to instances where worthy brethren had been dropped for non-payment of dues, and shortly thereafter the family requested a Masonic funeral which was not permitted by reason of the suspension.

It seems to me that before a brother should be suspended for non-payment of dues, a committee should be appointed to wait upon him and find out his real financial condition.

Of Dilatory Lodges who fail to file returns in time he says:

Three lodges having no excuse, I notified the Master in each case to show why his jewels should not be arrested. Excuses came forthwith, but some of them were very thin.

He held that lodge funds cannot be donated to an unmaasonic Institution though individual members may contribute.

He praised the work of the Masonic Service Committee who are in charge of the Speakers' Bureau, saying:

The help given lodges in stimulating attendance and interest and expounding the fundamental principles of Masonry is a matter of common knowledge.

Of the Grand Masters' Conference he speaks thus:

There can never be a general Grand Lodge of the United States, but a working organization to do things in a large way for all the Masons of the United States in cases of national emergencies may be necessary, and this Conference of Grand Masters could easily be used for that purpose.

The library founded in 1844 has now 40,000 volumes and is the pride of Iowa. The public is encouraged to use it.

A clipping Bureau with 558 items used during the year is a feature of the Grand Secretary's office.

Interest in the Museum has not slackened.

The Grand Secretary preceded his report with the following:

The year is closed, the record made,
The last deed done, the last word said,
The memory alone remains
Of all its griefs, its gains,
And now with purpose full and clear,
We turn to meet another year.

Under Grand Charity Field Work we read:

Our fund is to help the lodges which are not financially strong. In social life the contributors to a community budget for charitable work do not expect to become beneficiaries.

May we again call special attention to the little folks. Among our beneficiaries are thirty-six families with a total of one hundred and nine minor children, to whom was contributed during the last year, \$10,860.09.

Pictures of the splendid new Masonic Sanitarium greet the eye throughout the Proceedings.

From the prayer of Past Grand Chaplain Williams we take the following:

We thank Thee for the confidence that life is a fragment which somewhere shall be made whole.

The Committee on Grievances had a new problem, namely, the petition of a brother to be found a fifty year Mason. The Committee could not reconcile the dates and had to deny the request.

John W. Gannaway was elected Grand Master. His biography states that he is Professor of Political Science in Grinnell College.

This from the first In Memoriam page:

Yes, the heart of a friend is the one thing I prize,
As life lengthens and twilight descends;
It's the last boon I'll ask, when I finish my task,
That I live in the hearts of my friends.

Membership 86,011. Net decrease 405.

Harry M. Belt, P.G.M. gave a very informative and vivid address on his trip round the world. In some of the lodges he visited he found only three elective Officers, namely, Worshipful Master, Treasurer and Tyler. He found the Trowel as a Working Tool was not used in Irish, English and Scottish lodges. His experience in Bombay of the universality of the Craft is interesting:

In this lodge where Grand Master Spence made this official visitation that night there were five Holy Books on the altar. There was the Holy Bible which is designated in all of these lodges I have been telling you about as the Book of Sacred Law, and not designated as the Holy Bible, as we call it, but they designate it as the Book of Sacred Law. There was the Koran, which is the Book of Law for the Mohammedan. There was the Hindoo book, the Parsee book, and the Buddhist book, and all of these beliefs were represented in that lodge.

Again of Madras he speaks:

I was invited to another Masonic meeting which is a native lodge, the charter members of which lodge are made up of men who are graduates of Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh, and the fine European universities.

Away down in the Eastern Archipelago he found a little Grand Lodge composed of nine lodges and 600 members that obligated itself to the extent of \$2,000 to relieve the distress of an American sojourner, and thus he concluded:

And I have demonstrated to you the outstanding thing in Masonry is the democracy of Masonry, the most democratic thing of all the world, because it does bring men of every country, sect and opinion, and men in every station in life on to the checkered floor of the lodge room on the level.

The Fraternal Review is of course by Louis Block, who sends his usual graphic message to the whole world. Note his alliterative artistry throughout. He entitles his Foreword "Whither Masonry" and we make the following suggestive and thought producing extracts:

He is a bit concerned at the signs of disintegration and dry-rot which seem to threaten.

He knows that an idolatry of mere numbers is more often a blight than a blessing. That the institution that rallies the mob to its support is far too often not really worth supporting. Far too frequently the mob gathers within its fold the fickle, the frantic and the foolish. The steadfast, the steady and the true stay away, and yet is it of these alone that abiding institutions can be built.

Another tendency may be seen in the many side orders that are composed of Masons, and those of the Fraternity who have not joined such organizations are subject to continued solicitation for membership.

How about it my brethren Are these things true?
How is it in your own lodge? In your own Temple?

Our ancient brethren believed in good company, good comradeship, in friendly intercourse, in hours of happy sociability and generous hospitality. But they had ideas of the eternal fitness of things, and they practiced them. There was with them a time, and a season, and a place for all things. Dignity and decorum and decency were no idle words with them, for at bottom they were earnest-minded men.

So must we be if we would save the Fraternity from certain destruction. We dare not let this spirit of frivolity that would feed and fatten upon the Fraternity get the upper hand, as it surely will if we do not fight it.

Let yourself compose this structure, let yourself the Temple be,

That shall stand in great proportions unto all Eternity.

A call to action under Arizona:

The grand jurisdiction in the rest of the Masonic world ought to be genuinely ashamed of themselves in all cases in which they let our brethren of Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, or Texas be burdened with caring for their consumptives.

He praises our meeting at Ottawa and the composite address of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary read in the absence of the G.M., by the D.G.M. He says:

We feel he is not far from right. The minute we can get a conviction in the hearts of our brethren of the essential worth and value of our institution that minute we shall awaken their loyalty and arouse their fidelity.

Speaking of our expenditure he adds:

Assuming that this was spent wisely and well, and we have no reason to suspect the contrary, it certainly is a thing that reflects great credit upon our Canadian brethren.

In the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry we find an excellent treatise on the duties of the Masters.

Masters everywhere could profit by taking this dissertation to heart.

He quotes in full our remarks on Masonic Education in the report on the Grand Master's address and kindly and encouragingly adds:

Bro. Ponton is also the author of the Report on Fraternal Correspondence and his reports have long been the envy and the admiration of the rest of us.

Massachusetts and Past Grand Master Johnson furnish a gleam of humor:

There was a rich and eccentric man who died, and a clergyman was standing with his widow by his casket, attempting to comfort her. He said, "You should not weep; what is before you is not your husband. That is a mere husk; an empty shell. The nut has gone to heaven."

Under the review of Ohio we find:

Joy is the sign that God is ever pouring
Into the hearts of those that strive with him,
Opening their eyes to vision and, adoring,
Strengthening their arms to warfare, glad and grim.

The Afterword concentrates on "Not quantity but quality" and we read with profit the following:

We have a feeling that there is an imminent danger of the Craft drifting away from their ancient moorings, or going far afield in a fatuous, foolish and frantic chase after strange gods.

Time was, we are told, when Masonry was considered to be a very select institution, and to be counted among its members a rare privilege.

What they wanted was an intimate association with worth-while men.

Masonry seems to have turned away from the speculative and the spiritual, to the mundane and the material, from the "unseen things which are eternal."

"We in America have been bitten by the lust for size, for numbers, for wealth.

The Craft have plunged into a perfect orgy of Temple building and along with the buildings have come the inevitable Temple debts. The pressure for the payment of these debts has caused the fraternity to resort to desperate measures for the raising of money.

To say nothing of the disquieting, depressing, discouraging and disintegrating influence these men have upon the rest of us, it is the most futile of financial policies to take them in. Such men are not of the sort that stick and stay. These men belong to the class so vividly depicted by one of our great leaders as the "drones and laggards, loungers and listless idlers, who see nothing in

Masonry for them to do, but to look on now and then while a degree is conferred and are soon weary of that."

If they cannot grab an office in a regular lodge, forthwith they organize a "side order" and get to be the high cockolorum in that. They pompously proclaim that their petty and paltry stuff is "Masonry" forsooth just because they make Masonic membership a prerequisite for admission. Has Masonry fallen so low that its sole function is now to serve as a prerequisite, or a passport to something decidedly its inferior?.

You would have a perfect right to accuse us of perpetrating a piece of pernicious and pestiferous pessimism did we not at least suggest the remedy.

As we see it, that remedy is two-fold:

First. To guard well our portals, and see that we take in no more of the trashy stuff, made up of those individuals of whom Brother Kipling says "they do not know, and now we know they never could know, and do not understand."

Second. That we try to make real Masons of the men we have taken in, beginning first of all with ourselves, by striving "not to be better than others, but better than ourselves". That we do our level best to beget a "Masonic heart" within the men we have taken in, to make of them Masons in spirit and in truth and not in name only.

Surely, we who love Masonry, dare no longer stand idly by, and see her dance her way down the primrose path of dalliance to certain destruction.

"The things of the Spirit alone persist."

IRELAND

Rt. Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore, K.P., M.W. Grand Master.

Colonel Claude Cane retiring D.G.M.

Raymond F. Brooke, incoming D.G.M.

Henry C. Shellard, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The opening of the annual Stated Communication is thus described:

Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth Street, Dublin, on St. John's Day, 1930, at high twelve, when the Grand Lodge Room was crowded with representative Masons from all parts of Ireland.

The Earl of Donoughmore had for the nineteenth time been elected Grand Master.

The newly appointed D.G.M. R. F. Brooke acknowledged with appreciation the honour conferred:

I do not enter upon this high office light heartedly, or without realizing the difficulties and responsibilities of the position. One of my greatest difficulties will be to follow and live up to the example which has been set me by Colonel Claude Cane.

Regarding the Belfast meeting this paragraph:

We much appreciated the welcome that was given in the North when Grand Lodge met in Belfast last October. I was particularly sorry that domestic reasons prevented my attendance at that meeting last summer, but if people will have grand-children they must expect to have disadvantages with the advantages.

A fine Masonic service was held at St. John's Church, Cork, so that south and north combined in progressive and harmonious spirit.

A new Provincial Grand Lodge has been established in Rhodesia.

The Grand Master was invited to Massachusetts by M.W. Leon Abbott, and was delighted to go and reports that he had a most gorgeous two days with them. He speaks of Bro. Dean's visit to China and how that everything has worked out satisfactorily and adds:

He recognized the objection to starting the proposed lodge, and he took whatever steps he could to make it difficult to misuse Freemasonry in China, which, although it is a good many thousand miles away, we should all deplore. The most satisfactory thing is that it has shown that the four Grand Lodges concerned—Massachusetts, England, Ireland and Scotland—are entirely at one in their fidelity out there, as elsewhere. I regard the matter not only as a very satisfactory discussion but as drawing together ties which ought to be drawn together in these matters, which are really of international Masonic breadth and importance.

Addressing Colonel Cane he said:

I think we can both say as, I think President Roosevelt said once at the Guildhall in London, "We have liked our job," and I shall always preserve the happiest memories of our relations.

After all, modern work is complicated. Very few men find themselves in a position to do good work all by themselves. We all have to learn the lessons of team work, and the ideal team is that in which you trust your fellow to do his work, at the same time trusting him to keep you in full knowledge of what is going on.

I ask you, brethren, to rise and salute him in his office for the last time with all cordiality and goodwill.

From Colonel Cane's farewell we take the following:

I cannot say too much of the staff of the Grand Secretary and those who worked with him. Bro. Shellard is loyalty personified.

I think it likely they have been the ten most interesting years in the history of the Grand Lodge of Ireland since the memorable occasion nearly 150 years ago, when another Lord Donoughmore was occupying the Throne in the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

I think it is Masonry, and Masonry alone, that could have bridged over the gulf that existed in Ireland.

Please do not think I am a deserter. I am anything but that. I know I am leaving my job, as you, Sir, described it, in very capable hands.

I was asked by some of my Northern Brethren "if he was any relation to any of our Brookes up here," and when I said that he was they replied, "All right".

Colonel Cane was visibly affected during the delivery of his farewell address, and ended in a faint tone of voice with the words "May I hope I will not be altogether forgotten, like an old glove."

He was presented with a loving cup as a token of affection and good will.

At the meeting of Grand Lodge in Belfast the Hon. Mr. Justice Fitzgibbon, Canada's Grand Representative, acted as Junior Grand Warden.

A memorial was received from the Grand Chapter thus referred to:

A resolution was received from the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter asking Grand Lodge to recognize the Mark Master Mason and Royal Arch Degrees as included in pure Antient Masonry. Grand Lodge appointed a committee.

The teams which illustrated the work did so with zeal and care.

From the Southern Cape Province this message:

An encouraging feature of this growth is the fact that an increasing number of choice young men have been seeking admission to our Order, having conceived a favourable opinion of it through a knowledge of its beneficent operations.

One of the eleven pupils who won honours as representing the Orphan's School, Dorothy Reid gained first place for girls in all Ireland for Commerce. Seventy pupils were entered in the Drawing Society examinations, of whom twenty-three gained honours and thirty-nine passed.

The Grand Lodge Library and Museum has received large additions, both by donation and by purchases.

Sir Robert Baird was elected R.W. Grand Treasurer and Mr. Justice Fitzgibbon Grand Registrar.

Elias T. Malone, K.C., a veteran Past Grand Master, and Grand Treasurer for many years is proud to represent Ireland with us.

The total receipts during 1930 amount to the handsome sum of £7,682-17.

INDIANA

Jere West, M.W. Grand Master.

William H. Swintz, P.G.M., R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and thirteenth meeting was held in Indianapolis, 27th May, 1930. Indiana ranks with the three highest in record attendance of Past Grand Masters, twenty being present in vigor and vitality.

Under the head of Grand Representatives we are pleased to read:

When the roll was called, reports were made for Canada by P.G.M. Elmer F. Gay, acting for the regular Representative, Bro. Elias J. Jacoby.

The Grand Master's address is optimistic in note:

Masonry has a glorious history and proud ought to be the man who has been found worthy to become a member. We are now a big institution; we have lodges in every county in the state, which represent the highest type of manhood and citizenship. Our claim is well founded that the wisest and best men have in all ages been promoters of our art.

I have found very few instances in which our laws have been willfully violated. Most differences have been met and ironed out in a true Masonic spirit.

To Indiana the Masonic Home is a shrine of devotion:

That great institution, the Masonic Home will be a monument to the honor and glory of Masonry in this state, and Masonry will ever receive the blessings of a grateful and appreciative people.

All honor to the founders of our Masonic Home; also to those who are so unselfishly giving it their time and attention.

We have 216 children in school and every effort is being made to fit our boys and girls.

The Grand Master of Indiana at the Conference of Grand Masters spoke on the Regulation by Grand Lodges for the construction and financing of Temples, a prudent and practical move.

Masonic welfare work in time of war and co-operation with Ohio and other States, was discussed at length by correspondence and laid before Grand Lodge.

While not a disciplinarian, the G.M. is firm in enforcing the duties of Masters and Secretaries.

Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of the new Court House.

Chain letters find no welcome in sensible Indiana:

This letter, however, is drawn in such a way that it is evidently the intention to leave the impression that it is sponsored by Masonry. I think this Grand Lodge should condemn this practice in no uncertain terms. The letter is an insult to the intelligence of our members. It is founded on ignorance and superstition.

Among his decisions we read:

I held that there was no way for the lodge to vote upon a penalty at a meeting subsequent to the time of the trial and that this trial was illegal and void. I therefore set aside the trial and conviction and ordered the lodge to again try the brother on the charges that had been filed against him, and if found guilty it would be their duty to vote immediately upon the penalty.

As to that female Organization known as Job's Daughters the G.M. had a problem in dealing with a letter from the Master of a lodge at Gary, stating that the Eastern Star had been interested in Job's Daughters and asked permission to use the lodgeroom. The Master had wisely refused them permission to instal and confer Degrees. The Grand Master sensibly confirmed this, saying:

I held that the Master's decision was right in refusing to allow them the use of the lodge room, the Tyler's room, the property room and preparation room for any purpose.

To deal with these pseudo organizations requires the patience of Job. One seems to crop up every two or three months and they all want apparently to cling to the masculine oak.

Only in the West could we find a Wildcat Lodge No. 311 and it may be appropriate that P.G.M. LaFollette had received a report from the Grand Lecturer that it was in a very bad condition. However digestion appears to have been improved and the present G.M. removed the state of probation.

Under Masonic Charity the Grand Master said:

In the lives we live we should cultivate the flowers we would have strewn when we are dead; we should write our own epitaph; we should build our own monument.

The Home received many bequests during the year, one of them amounting to \$10,000. Those of us who still

believe we should have such a Home in our own Jurisdiction should take courage. The dawn will yet come.

The services of a lawyer member in connection with an estate in which Masonry was interested and in which a fine settlement was obtained, were gratefully recognized.

Membership 129,909. Net gain 547.

Under Education at the Home we are glad to read:

As is generally known our schools, we are glad to report, are a part of the splendid school system of Franklin as the Home is located within the limits of this beautiful city. They are under the immediate supervision and control of the City School Board and City Superintendent, and fortunate indeed is this Home for their kind continued interest and helpfulness.

The Indiana Freemason, the authorized publication of our Grand Lodge, continues to be published monthly by our boys and contains splendid Masonic stories and information.

The Girls Orchestra and the Boys Band are continuing their progress under patient and generous teaching.

The basic principles for Grand Lodge recognition as set out by the United Grand Lodge of England, were approved. The Grand Orient of Roumania was recognized.

Of the late M.W. Bro. Holloway this tribute to worth and wisdom is lovingly paid:

A prince once said of a king struck down:

"Taller he seems in death";

And the word holds good, for now, as then,

It is after death that we measure men.

Brother Holloway's crowning glory of all of his labors of love was his interest and devotion to the duties associated with the building and maintaining of the Home.

And he will have some gentle word to say,

Some kindly deed to do; for loving thought

Was warp and woof of which his life was wrought.

He is not dead. Such souls forever live

In boundless measure of the love they give.

576 members of Grand Lodge officially visited the Home together.

Roscoe Keiper of Strangers Rest, was elected Grand Master and made an eloquent extemporaneous speech, saying:

Since the fire was first kindled on the altar of Masonry, human institutions have been rebuilt and a new world has been created in which man may live.

On every field of human endeavour the true Mason has silently, but with potent force, materialized into action the lessons imparted to him within the walls of our Temple.

The late John S. Martin, our beloved Grand Master who has just passed away, represented Indiana. We are sorry that he will not read these lines. To him we say "farewell" and our Indiana brethren will join in this tribute to his worth.

Elmer F. Gay, P.G.M., whose inspiring personality is well illustrated in the photogravure which precedes his Reviews, had charge of Correspondence and says in his tables of statistics that Canada has 1,352 lodges and a membership of 202,493. This has since been increased.

The searching questionnaire of Arkansas has gripped our colleague, as it has gripped many others. We quote:

Hereafter when I hear a Brother Master Mason maligning another, I will at the time, or soon thereafter, caution him and remind him of his obligations. Have you not already agreed to do that?

Hereafter if I know of a Brother Master Mason doing an unmasonic act, I will go to him and warn him. Have you not agreed to do that also?

A Master Mason who is a law-breaker, and is unreliable, is more dangerous to society than a man who is not a Mason and restricted only by his conscience and neither bound to God nor man by Masonic vows. Isn't that true? Is that too much for your Grand Master to ask of you?

Belonging to the Masonic order is one thing, to be a Mason is another. Is that true?

Our churches are continually reminding us of our duties to God and our fellowmen. What are we doing along these lines?

One of the decisions by the Grand Master of Louisiana is apparently approved:

Asking whether a brother suspended for non-payment of dues, and while suspended should pass away, should he be entitled to a Masonic funeral.

My answer: Yes, the brother should be entitled to a Masonic funeral, should the family request it.

Query?

Canada is briefly reviewed. The absence of our then Grand Master owing to illness, which has just terminated fatally, is spoken of. Long quotations are made from the Grand Master's well written address and also from the Report of the Grand Lodge Committee on this address. Credit is given to E.B.B. who thoroughly and favourably reviewed Indiana for this writer during that year.

With this from Texas Review we must close:

It is hard to get a full attendance even at such emergency meetings as these. Shall we compel the old Patriarchs of our Order, who have borne the burden and heat

of the day when we were in our Masonic swaddling clothes, to attend our meetings by statutory enactment? Rather, may we not better attract attendance by making our meetings more interesting and by spreading Masonic light and charity and the doctrine of brotherly love to those who do attend?

KANSAS

George F. Beezley, M.W. Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, R.W. Grand Secretary Emeritus.

Elmer F. Strain, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Seventy-fourth Communication was held at Topeka, 19th February, 1930. From the opening invocation we take this thought:

Especially do we thank Thee for the institution of Masonry and its contribution to the stability and enrichment of the lives of men. For hearts that know Thee and tongues that confess Thy mercy and truth, we give Thee thanks.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters gathered in the Grand East for work and counsel.

Canada's Grand Representative did not appear.

The Grand Master, who is a judge as well as a returned soldier, uttered many suggestive thoughts in his address, which we might all well consider:

The mutations of time still leave unmarred the Spirit of Masonry. Its universality still stands unchallenged. As brethren in this great Fraternity we are not in the Twentieth Century, we are not in the North or the East or the West or the South. In our lodge room, in our Grand Lodge, we possess a world kinship, and we are brethren. Recognizing the Fatherhood of God, we are in a universal relation.

Brethren, Freemasonry is a Universe within itself. It touches every angle of a brother's life.

We need not live wholly in the past, but must stand together in the light of the great days gone by. The need of the hour is not that we put more modernism into Masonry, but that we should put more Masonic Fundamentalism into our present day Modernism. For then, and only then, will we be worthy of the proud title of Masons.

The officers of the lodges are not required to be exhorters to those whose interest, from one cause or another or from no cause whatever may lag.

He objects very strongly to proselyting with relation to candidates for the Mysteries and also with regard to soliciting Master Masons from one Lodge to another.

The contract was let for the new addition to the Masonic Home for \$315,000 and with regard to this shrine of devotion of Kansas, the G.M. says:

In our Masonic Home we have a magnificent plant that rightfully commands the admiration and enthusiasm of every brother within this Grand Jurisdiction. Every member of the Craft is a partner in this wonderful enterprise. But that is the smallest view to be taken of it. The larger view is that we are all partners in a great contribution to society, the building of the lives and characters of the children entrusted to our care, and lightening the burdens of our unfortunate brethren, their wives and widows.

The work has now progressed to the point where we are justified in saying that we will soon have a building that for artistic beauty and convenient appointments for our purposes can scarcely be excelled. It is indeed a fitting addition to our already magnificent plant where the heart of Kansas Masonry finds such generous expression.

Apparently there has been trouble during the year with regard to the Grand Secretary, who had been suspended from office but was re-elected.

As to Grand Secretaries generally the Grand Master says:

We naturally look to the one who is recognized as having a knowledge and familiarity with subjects Masonic as the one occupying the office of Grand Secretary.

Here is gentle irony with regard to alibis:

A perusal of the list of excuses for non-attendance shows in many cases, an ingenuity which is a compliment to the high mental development of our Craft, which, if employed to advance the interests of the lodge would be amazingly helpful. But we are members of the human family, and if we do not progress we must fall back.

The appointment of Major L. Grant, a veteran soldier marksman, and Mason of Georgetown, as Grand Representative of Kansas was announced.

From the Librarian's report this urge:

Knowledge is power. Vision as to the purposes of Masonry, a knowledge of its history and unchanged and unchangeable principles can alone perpetuate the great work. Our neighbors are feeding their students through Bulletins and the circulation of appropriate books. Executive consideration of our situation, including the need, the demand and the possibilities, is imperative.

This is something we do not always realize:

While our beautiful Grand Lodge Building is substantial fire-proof and constructed of the best material, yet it is not

unlike any other structure in that it needs watchful care and from time to time necessary repairs.

Membership 82,221. Net loss 1,487. In a great Jurisdiction like Kansas this must be discouraging. It must also be a challenge.

The Library Committee report that they have a complete file of the National Geographic Magazine, and are so enamoured of it that they have subscribed for fifteen years in advance, that is, till 1945. Other extracts from Bro. Wilson's report on the Library are:

A survey of this field in other Grand Jurisdictions shows that an almost unlimited expenditure of funds is being made in this direction and unless we do likewise our brethren will receive no benefit from this wonderful accumulation of Masonic knowledge now in our possession, which represents the thoughts of the greatest Masonic thinkers and jurists the world has ever known.

In the curtain'd halls of the lofty lord,
Where the jewels and wealth of the world are stor'd—
In the poor man's cot by some silent stream,
Where the wild-wood stands in its spreading green:
On the mountain's brow—in the valley deep—
On earth, sea or sky—there is Masonry there!

The Committee on Necrology used this verse as their text:

Grief should be
Like joy, majestic, equable, sedate,
Confirming, cleansing, raising, making free:
Strong to consume small troubles; to commend
Great thoughts, grave thoughts, thoughts lasting to the
end.

Acting Grand Orator Lilleston delivered a brilliant oration, which he introduced thus:

I am happy to rise in this Grand Lodge of Masons, for here lives the old faith of the free, and here beats the ancient heart of the race. I am happy to rise in this spiritual brotherhood of a common belief.

Masonry is philosophy teaching by symbol, as History is philosophy teaching by example.

However Masonry is not merely a memory, it is a hope. Or shall we say with Bulwer-Lytton, "There is an eloquence in Memory because it is the nurse of Hope."

Under the godless rule of Soviet Russia, the Moham-medans, the Christians and the Jews alike are joining what is pathetically called "The Society for the Protection of Brotherly Love" to keep alive the same tradition that Masonry keeps alive.

In this country we have a cosmopolitan race; we are the world in miniature. Here all peoples of the earth have

descendants who share the pride of ancestry that animates the Old World. All strains of blood are as old as man, and all children of the dust are brothers despite themselves.

They die for sentiment. And yet as a rule, it is in their sentiment that mankind most readily agree. The emotional reactions of human nature do not alter much with time or place. Science varies with every generation, fact supersedes fact, and one opinion destroys another, but the heart of humanity is immortal.

After all, God represents unity; man represents diversity. The Divine Artist has not yet done with making man in His own image. The process goes on.

Another special address by Bro. McCulloch is of great interest. It treats of Masonry and what it means and his style may be gathered from the following illustration:

It is a lamentable fact that comparatively few members of our Fraternity fully understand it. Some view it as an organization of men valuable to the individual in his business and social life. Others regard it as being of great antiquity, membership in which is to be desired. There are but few, comparatively, who realize that it is a system of morals and a philosophy of life which has a large share in shaping individual and world life.

Masonry would encourage companionship. As men gather in lodges they discover that they have like tastes and find opportunity for becoming better acquainted. As they come together from time to time strong friendships are formed which continue through the years.

Masonry has always stood for the home as the basis for building the state. Taking note of the threatened danger, it will unite itself with other moral and spiritual forces for the preservation of the home and parental authority in their integrity.

Initiation into Masonry is a favor and not a right.

The Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence in Kansas receives \$500 per annum.

Jay B. Kirk was elected Grand Master.

George O. Foster represents Canada.

The Report on Correspondence is again by the veteran Albert K. Wilson, whose tactus peritus is in evidence throughout. In his Foreword we read:

The total net loss in all jurisdictions is far in excess of that of any previous year.

We firmly believe that the average lodge, or at least that portion of the membership which we term "the faithful" are hungry for information as to what is transpiring in other Grand Jurisdictions, and especially are they desirous of receiving Masonic light through the splendid ad-

dresses, orations and other subjects which are presented at the Annual Communications.

We feel that there is no better channel for what is ordinarily termed "Masonic Education" than through these reports, and if our Grand Masters would call to the attention of their lodges this portion of the Proceedings it would be seed sown on good ground.

He himself, a historian and scholar, approves of Alberta's progress, saying:

We are pleased to note that the Grand Lodge of Alberta has under consideration the important subject of a history of their Grand Lodge. We fear many Grand Jurisdictions are unmindful of the importance of this work and lend but little assistance or indeed manifest any interest in the subject.

Canada at Ottawa is well reviewed and he finds the Grand Master's address most interesting and thoughtful. He says of his views under Masonic education:

We take pleasure in quoting it in its entirety as his thoughts are in full accord with the policy of our Grand Lodge and the writer of this report:

On the Report on the Condition of Masonry he thus comments and quotes at length:

The Board on the condition of Masonry, prepared a very lengthy but unusually interesting report.

He also does us the honour to quote from the Committee's Report on the Grand Master's address, those paragraphs closing with "let us in Canada adopt, adapt and improve." He kindly calls our Report excellent and does so most generously, for we had not an opportunity of reviewing Kansas, the Proceedings having been delayed.

Indiana gives him material for a sly nudge:

A resolution was introduced providing that Eastern Star Chapters might have the privilege of inviting an organization known as Job's Daughters to meet in their Chapter room, and was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who called attention to their present law prohibiting such action and therefore Job's Daughters must look elsewhere for a place to consider the various and weighty matters which no doubt will come before them.

He teaches us a lesson in propriety in the following to be found in the Iowa review:

Under the head of "Decisions" we note one where the Grand Master was asked whether it was proper for a lodge, as such, to take part in the dedication of a so-called "Masonic section" or "Memorial" of a private cemetery. The Grand Master had the good taste to rule in the negative. We presume this is another case of one of the modern ideas, possibly termed by some as "higher Masonic Educa-

tion" where two or three individuals float into a town, purchase a piece of property and lay out a cemetery, selecting a certain portion for Masons only, in consideration of their support to the enterprise. In some instances they have the audacity to use the emblems of our Ancient Craft on their memorial shafts, which in itself misleads many of our brethren.

What a contrast to Westminster Abbey, reference to which we find in the review of Oregon:

Westminster Abbey is England's Pantheon of Genius. No temple of fame is equal to it. England's Minster wears the triple crown of noble architecture, venerable age and hallowed memories and through each aisle and chapel of this national mausoleum flows the majestic stream of English History—none the less real because invisible. Conquerors and conquered, friends and foes, all lie silent and at peace, at last, within the solemn shadow of the Abbey's roof. Great conquerors, wise ecclesiastics, gifted statesmen, heroes and philanthropists, poets and authors—there is not a theme in history, poetry, science, romance, philosophy or religion which is not touched upon, illumined or embellished. Over one of the doorways of the Abbey you may read these words:

"They who sleep here kept the world awake".

KENTUCKY

Frank D. Rash, M.W. Grand Master.

Fred W. Hardwick, R.W. Grand Secretary.

We read in the biography of the Grand Master the following tribute:

With such a pedigree, and such a splendid record to guide and inspire him, it is small wonder that Frank Rash is most admired of all, for his many accomplishments and achievements, and most loved because of his fine, high character, his generous performance, and his truly commendable daily walk and conversation.

The One hundred and thirtieth Communication was held at Louisville October 21st, 1930. Kentucky easily leads all Grand Jurisdictions in the number of visiting Grand Masters present—25 were marked with a star of honour.

The Grand Master thus began his address:

We assemble today to review this period, to draw lessons from our mistakes, to find happiness in whatever worth-while may have been accomplished, withal to plan carefully and wisely that Masonry may advance to greater heights of achievement and honor.

To the memory of a Past Grand Master he pays this worthy tribute:

His effective and militant leadership was always sought in every worth-while activity of a civic, educational, religious or political nature.

No less than three Past Grand Masters died during the year and to each he gives his meed of praise.

The Grand Master having suspended a Master of a lodge, the Committee on Appeals decided:

The Committee heard the evidence in the complaint and, after concluding that the error of omission on the part of the Master was not willful, handed down their judgment. "We are of the opinion that he should be acquitted of the charges preferred; and that the suspension be removed, and that he be restored as Master, which is now done."

Acknowledgment was made of the cable from the Duke of Connaught.

The G.M. laid the cornerstone of the Scottish Rite Temple, which was the privilege of this Reviewer at Hamilton when Grand Master.

Of the Managers of the Masonic Home the Directors well say:

They have been a brother and sister to the widows and father and mother to the orphans, supervising their lives, habits and conduct, training them spiritually, physically and mentally and sending them forth into the world where many of them have become leading citizens.

He calls his Grand Secretary an "anchor to windward" and I am sure our own Grand Masters can duplicate this appreciation with regard to our own Grand Secretary.

Membership 60,760. Apparent loss 1,327. This is a tragedy.

The text of the Necrology Committee's report is "We are born for a higher destiny than that of earth."

The Grand Lodges of Venezuela and of Columbia were investigated by P.G.M. Cowles and received recognition.

M.W. Bro. Cowles delivered an impressive address, to which P.G.M. Virgil Smith replied:

So we have seen that neither war nor diplomacy will ever bring peace throughout the broad expanse of the nations of the earth. There is but one means left. If we can fraternize the world, get the individual responsible men at work with the principles of this great Order imbedded in their hearts, I believe that peace may come.

John X. Taylor was elected Grand Master.

The procedure of expulsion by constituent lodges, though indirectly under the direction of the Committee on

Appeals of Grand Lodge, is new to us. The charges against offending members set out at length are dramatic and interesting warning posts.

Dr. C. J. Hamilton of Cornwall, represents Kentucky, and Fred Acker represents Canada.

Kentucky is one of the few Jurisdictions which now prints at great expense the full roster of membership of all the lodges.

M.W. Bro. William W. Clarke, again presents the annual Correspondence Report.

We read in his review of Alabama:

I felt free to pledge the earnest co-operation of the Masons in this undertaking. "Know your schools" had already been adopted as the slogan for this year. Education is the one business in which all the people are vitally interested.

To do this we must Know Our Schools. Do not tell me this is out of place in a Masonic gathering. Masons are citizens, patrons, and friends to schools, and some of them are teachers. As a teacher, as a patron of schools, as a citizen, as a friend to schools, and as a Mason, let me urge all to shoulder their full share of the responsibility that should be borne by all, that our schools may be more successful in doing their part in making men and women out of our boys and girls.

This from his review of Alberta:

My brethren the remedy for misunderstanding is contact and intercourse, coupled with patience and the will to understand.

Under Arkansas we find this paragraph:

Take away the white and the blue, and the red no longer symbolizes love, but becomes the red of anger, hatred and destruction. Our forefathers placed these colors in combination, and it is every Mason's duty to see to it that they remain in combination.

He speaks under Canada of the absence of M.W. Bro. John S. Martin through illness, an illness which on the day this Review was written has been followed by death. He speaks of our material progress and prosperity being satisfactory and makes long quotations from the co-operative address of the Grand Master and from the Report on the Condition of Masonry. Of our own Review he is kind enough to say:

The report on correspondence is by Bro. Ponton, and as are all his reviews, of a very high order.

He quotes freely from our previous report, which is gratifying. Possibly we did better than we thought.

This from the Review of Colorado is interesting:

The Grand Master's reasoning is utterly unsatisfactory and we confess to some surprise that such a law is embraced by any Grand Jurisdiction. The Grand Master seems to overlook the fact that the request for dispensation was made that the anniversary of St. John might be celebrated. Now, who is St. John, and from whence does the Masonic Order get its St. John's Day? One of the Sts. John was a disciple of Christ, and the other St. John was his forerunner. Now it does seem that an order which recognizes them would hardly object to a celebration of their anniversaries, and where could such a celebration be more properly conducted than in a church founded by the Lord Jesus Christ. If the Mohammedans, etc., can join our Order recognizing the Saints John, it seems they could hardly object to that Order properly celebrating their anniversaries.

A call to conservatism under Connecticut:

Unfortunately, in this occasional craze for new things, they are at times upheld by superficially minded brethren. To such, we would caution: "Stop, Look, Listen," and INVESTIGATE.

Ireland always produces at least one sentence:

The first thing to do is to put one's foot down absolutely upon dissension inside the lodges.

A poem full of appealing truth in a new form is reproduced under Nevada:

Are you a Mason? And how may I know it?
 Is it by merely a word or a sign?
 If you're a Mason, then how do you show it?
 How may I know you're a brother of mine?
 Are you a man who is square in his dealing?
 Are you unfailingly honest and true?
 Do you respond when distress is appealing?
 When you're in debt, do you pay what is due?
 If you see danger imperils a brother,
 Are you alert though the others may nod?
 If you're a Mason, then that's how you'll show it;
 That will mean more than a grip or a sign;
 If you're a Mason then that's how I'll know it,
 Then you are really a brother of mine.

This from the Review of South Dakota:

Masonry teaches and develops the fellowship of kindred minds.

Texas is throwing off the question of U.S. naturalization formerly included in the qualifications for membership.

Many pages are devoted to the Masonic Homes, the affairs of which are presented in every possible light. A picture of the entrance is a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

LOUISIANA

Phil G. Ricks, M.W. Grand Master.

John A. Davilla, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and nineteenth Communication convened in New Orleans, 3rd February, 1930, and was opened in the Master Masons Degree in ample form.

A goodly array of Past Grand Masters were present, as was the Grand Representative of Canada, Prentiss B. Carter.

The address of the G.M. was a thoughtful and earnest document in which among other things he said:

With a true desire to do the right, bearing brotherly affection for one another and ill will toward none, let us enter upon our work with a bright cheerful spirit, overflowing with a Masonic love and loyalty.

Notwithstanding all of the wealth of our Nation with its well planned and bountifully equipped financial system for the proper shifting of the monetary forces, affairs seemed to have come to a standstill.

The wheels of commerce were moving uncertainly. The number of unemployed were increasing. Business was poor, and as a climax came the dismal failure in the gigantic stock speculations. Let us hope that the crisis is passed.

The officers and the usual band of faithful attendants joined gladly in our plan to reawaken the interest of the stayaways.

For unto us the defense of Masonry's banner has been entrusted, unto us the honor of the Order is committed.

Among his decisions one threw the responsibility upon a constituent lodge with however an indirect expression of opinion which can be easily interpreted:

Your lodge should determine whether Bro. Adams' conduct in letting professional ethics interfere with his service to a sick and distressed brother, was unmasonic.

Another ruling was:

It would appear that Vinton Lodge having accepted his check and having granted his dimit and collected the money order to cover the bad check, that the brother is no longer a member of Vinton lodge.

Still another of his many judgments:

I can see but two reasons why wedding ceremonies of this nature should not be held in the meeting place of a Masonic lodge. The first is that it would establish a precedent which might, if the request should be made too frequently, interfere with the work of the lodge, and perhaps result in dissection if further concessions could not be made by the

lodge. The second is that some of our friends outside of the Order, who are good church people, would immediately claim that the lodges are taking further steps to detract from the churches by encouraging weddings in their places of meeting.

He does not believe in differentiating between Ministers and laymen:

It is a violation of the Constitution to remit the fees of, or donate the amount to, Ministers.

The interpretation of the phrase "born of honest parents" is thus discussed by him:

A petition for Degrees was received, favorably reported, and the petitioner was elected to receive the Degrees. He was prevented by a protest, or objection from receiving the Degree of E.A. The cause was given as illegitimate birth of the candidate. Petition has again been received, properly endorsed, but has not yet been read in open lodge.

This is a very delicate matter and should be handled very carefully by the Master.

There is no more discreet method, or rather I know of none. However, a secret investigation might be made by the Master to ascertain if perhaps the facts may prove the status of the case to be different.

One is said to be "born of honest parents" if he is legitimate by birth, or if he has been legitimated under the laws of the State by a subsequent legal procedure taken by his parents.

Louisiana holds a record for Grand Master's decisions, sixty-two in all.

At the Masonic Relief Association meeting this reference is made to our grand old man, J. B. Nixon:

Brother J. B. Nixon of Toronto in an interesting and instructive address, stated that England for many years has appropriated one-half million dollars for relief and Masonic benevolences, and that Canada, in addition to taking care of its own, had answered the calls for assistance for the unfortunates of the Chicago fire, for the yellow fever sufferers of the south, for the distressed victims of the Galveston tidal wave and for those who in the Boston fire were deprived of their possessions.

Membership 32,841. Loss 1,363. Discouraging indeed.

During the year at the Home a new dairy barn and other buildings have been erected.

A supervisor of music goes once a week from Shreveport to instruct the children of the Home in music, vocal and instrumental. The children do well at their Schools and a high proportion of the High School students are on the honour roll.

Grand Chaplain and Orator Harper delivered an appealing address:

But some men have yet to learn that mystic figures and beautiful symbols, written down or acted out, are as worthless as mere scraps of paper if nothing in human experience answers to them and proves them.

Long before men could talk around the world in a few moments of time, outdistance the birds in their flight and startle the eagle on the crag, the thought of universality wrought itself out in the dream of democracy and of human brotherhood—the noblest dream that ever thrilled in the sleeping or waking minds of men.

The Prophet of the exile, emphasized the doctrine of personal responsibility. Speaking in the name of his God, he said "What mean ye that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying the fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel. Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine; the soul, that sinneth, it shall die."

General Grand High Priest C. C. Davis was welcomed.

Chairman Gayle of Foreign Correspondence, verbally reported, quoting Raymond Daniel with approval in the disciplining of lodges:

When a lodge deliberately violates a part of its Masonic obligations, that lodge virtually seeks to abrogate that portion of its Masonic obligation and to that extent lowers the standards and requirements of its membership. If the Grand Master fails to deliver a reprimand in such a case he is in a position of approving the attitude of the lodge and approving the lowering of Masonic standards and requirements.

Leon S. Haas of Humble Cottage Lodge, was elected Grand Master.

H. C. Tugwell of Toronto, a veteran brother, represents Louisiana.

Louisiana Relief Lodge data covering many pages, will prove most interesting to their brethren.

M.W. Bro. Gayle says in his Foreword to the Correspondence Reviews, which he edits with ability:

Among the present activities of which Louisiana Masons are most vitally concerned, are the (1) maintenance and support as well as the administration of the affairs, of the Masonic Home for Children; (2) the dispensing of Masonic charity to aged brother Masons in necessitous circumstances and their surviving widows; (3) the dissemination of Masonic education and the stimulation and quickening of interest.

Your chairman submits his second review of the Grand Lodge proceedings, with the feeling that he has presented to the Masons of Louisiana, an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the best Masonic thought and philosophy as exemplified by the leaders and most earnest workers in each of our sister jurisdictions:

This from his review of California:

Democracy can only live where there is freedom of thought, of speech, of publication, of teaching, and of research.

Then there is a group of ultra-conservative church men, not at all confined to the Roman Catholic Church. This group fears the continued secularization of education until the state, federal and individual, should gain a monopoly on education. There is little to fear in this field, though the opposition thus far has been able to combine enough votes representing these various attitudes to defeat each successive bill advanced.

Under Canada he says in his introduction:

The Grand Master had an active year. His visitations were many and pleasant. He cannot tell us of all his trips but in true Chaucerian style he tells of his two thousand mile trip to the north.

He comments upon the success of our Memorial Benefit Fund and on the recognition of P.G.M. Malone. He thus speaks of our late Grand Master Martin's address which was, we understand, the competent work during his illness, of the Grand Secretary and two Past Grand Masters:

The Grand Master's address is a masterpiece of Masonic literature and is written in a faultless style.

And quotes more than two full pages concluding with the pathetic refrain "For therein lies the road to better things."

In the review of England we read:

They are putting into this Memorial as much as we are investing in the George Washington Memorial.

How opinions differ and how the old traditions are being departed from in thought, if not in deed, is well illustrated under the Illinois Review, quoting P.G.M. Darrah:

"Some member of the lodge encouraged a friend to send in his petition and really the writer can see no harm in the practice. If Masonry is a good thing, if it holds before men the higher ideals of life, then why not tell others about it?"

Always a nugget of ore from Massachusetts:

So I believe that St. John the Baptist is our Patron Saint because he was a courageous martyr to faith. I be-

lieve that St. John the Evangelist is our Patron Saint because in the midst of slavery and oppression, because in the midst of darkness and cruelty, he set this silver trumpet to his lips and preached to all the world this Masonic gospel of the infinite and a deathless love.

At the third Australian Conference of Masonry this recommendation: was passed:

That this conference is of opinion that the membership of a lodge should not exceed 150.

MAINE

Harold E. Cooke, M.W. Grand Master.

Charles B. Davis, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and eleventh Communication was held at Portland May 6th, 1930. Seven of the eight living Past Grand Masters were present—a good record.

The Grand Secretary read a letter of greeting from our ever faithful R.W. Bro. J. B. Way, Grand Representative.

Canada was duly represented by James Abernethy.

The address of the Grand Master was practical and to the point. He resisted the lure of invitations to other Grand Lodges as he felt that all the time he could possibly spare should be properly used in his own Jurisdiction.

Among his decisions we read:

"Can a Masonic Lodge properly use its funds for the expenses of a dance and ladies' night?" Answer "No."

On the occasion of an installation of the officers of a Masonic lodge, is it proper for a Commandery of Knights Templar to assist in the installation, being present, as I presume, in uniform? Answer: "No. Masonry has many different fields of activity, each one covered by that particular branch of Masonry which has covered it through all the years of Masonic history. These activities should be kept separately and each work in its own particular and peculiar field."

If, avowed political candidates for office give addresses in tiled Masonic lodges and those addresses are wholly upon the management and operation of the offices to which they aspire, it not only is an exhibition of execrable taste, but comes near the line of unmasonic conduct.

Of Masonic Clubs we read with interest:

It must not be forgotten that any activities of an organization composed exclusively of Masons will be, by the general public, called Masonic activities. It makes very little difference what the name of the enterprise is or what

is the name of the organization promoting it, if the membership is Masonic the general public will lay any indiscretion to Masonry.

From the Grand Secretary's report we take this Foreword on Secretaries:

My advice to the lodges is to be careful in selecting a new secretary and keep a good one so long as he will serve. Pay him as liberally as possible for the many hours he works as a labor of love. Elect him Proxy to the Grand Lodge year after year to attend if the Master or Wardens cannot. Every communication of the Grand Lodge he attends will make him more valuable.

Membership 44,002. Net increase 67.

Grand Master Sargent of New Jersey made a very searching address saying that he found everything very substantial in Maine and adding:

Brethren, you must make comparisons. You have a different type of home. You have a different type of citizenry. You have a different type of membership. You will never have the percentage of claims coming to you that we have in New Jersey.

So, that is why we feel that we have in our Home our final defense. We start first with our Masonic Bureau.

New Jersey is paying a Grand Lodge assessment of \$3.05 per year for Masonic Charity work.

Cyrus N. Blanchard was elected Grand Master.

A fine tribute was paid to the memory of the late Charles F. Johnson, P.G.M., and this verse is quoted:

Of those immortal dead who live again
In minds made better by their presence; live
In pulses stirred by generosity;
In deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn
For miserable aims that end with self,
In thoughts sublime that pierce the night, like stars.

Companion Ashley A. Smith presented a fine correspondence Report. All through his reviews he emphasizes contributions by bequest and this applies to all Jurisdictions. The great example of Grand Lodge beneficence from private members is Pennsylvania, and New York is now following suit.

Under Alabama we read:

The Grand Matron closed her talk with these words, "Hand in hand these Orders should go, one by the compasses led straight, one following the Star." And as the Psalm admonishes us—SELAH.

Under British Columbia in emphatic italics we find:

Under the caption: "The Benevolent Fund", he urges wider support by gifts and endowments. We have noticed that nearly every Grand Lodge is awaking to this need and urging such bequests and endowments as may perpetuate each brother's Masonic influence during the onward years and generations. It is, perhaps, a much neglected appeal on the part of many Grand Lodges that seem to be suddenly awakened to the great possibilities.

Canada at Ottawa finds favourable appreciation. After speaking on our statistics and the constructive labour of laying cornerstones and dedicating eight Halls, he speaks with approbation of the Memorial Benefit Fund, which is still increasing. The Report on the Condition of Masonry is called excellent, and our review by E. B. B. is fully and favourably noted.

Again under Connecticut he advocates private generosity, trying to tap Artesian Wells:

This would allow the Grand Lodge of Maine to carry on its labors in Charity and Relief within and without its own borders in a way adequate to our Masonic Profession and Obligations. In the language of Holy writ, "Brethren, think on these things."

He does not favour the giving of grand honours to the heads of Concordant Bodies and goes so far as to call it a "farcical practice".

From the District of Columbia we take this sentence.

Bro. Baird believes the names of the offenders in our reports of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, should be deleted, an opinion in which we emphatically concur. It plays a little too much into the hands of our critics and censors.

Again under Michigan we read his "increasing purpose":

One's helping hand may thus be reached into the far-beyond of time. Modest bequests and legacies through the years, would be in time of such splendid proportions as would allow Grand Lodge to carry-on its labors in Charity and Relief within and without its own borders in a way adequate to our Profession and Obligations.

Of course he is charmed by the review of R.W. Bro. Gallagher, of the product of whose work and thought he thus speaks:

Maine is comprehensively and constructively considered by Brother Gallagher. We have formed a most reprehensible habit, a culpable, insidious habit, of reading this excellent review far into the night, and always with clear penetrating light upon the problems and issues of our Fraternity. "Why don't you go to bed?" reaches us from the stair-landing; it is now one o'clock A.M., and reply with subdued and chastened contrition, "I'm sitting up with

Gallagher." "Who's Gallagher?" "Michigander" is the answer. Retort—"Leave your ganders and don't be a goose any longer." And now the charm, the spell, the dear delight of reading Gallagher has been broken by domestic interruption, and we go to bed and dream of spelling the word "Gallagher" in a dozen fantastic ways. Once a year something like this takes place in this household, and this man Gallagher while he stands high in my regard, has something to answer for if we ever have a domestic conference.

MANITOBA

William Douglas, M.W. Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The Fifty-fifth Communication was held at the Fort Garry Hotel, June 11, 1930.

Canada's Grand Representative was, (we think for the first time), absent.

The Grand Master's address was, as befitted the time of the anniversary, historical:

The Province of Manitoba was admitted into and became part of the Dominion 15th July, 1870, prior to which date, jurisdiction within what then became the Province of Manitoba, was vested in The Gentlemen Adventurers trading into Hudson's Bay, or in common, every-day language, the Hudsons Bay Company.

Although the territory which forms this Province had not been formally transferred to the Dominion—and in fact was not a part of Canada at the time—it is worthy of reference at this time to mention that organized Freemasonry had been introduced and had existed within our geographical boundaries for some years prior to the birthday of our Province in the year 1870.

He pointed out that the pioneer lodge was the old Northern Light Lodge, which had indeed a history. Further on we read:

The next phase of Masonic activity to break forth in the rising town of Winnipeg is found in a meeting held in November, 1870, when Prince Rupert's Lodge—originally denominated Winnipeg Lodge—came into existence by dispensation issued by The Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

It may be that we shall be obliged to reevaluate some of the things which have grown upon the body of Freemasonry, until, in some quarters, that which is extraneous has become the fact.

We may live in the age where the counter-attractions glitter and allure the average man away from rather than

attract him to the more serious side of life. This does not alter in one iota the truth, that the age long quest of mankind—the seeking after something that was lost—is still an abiding factor in the heart of man.

Of the institution of a new lodge away north at Flin Flon in the mining district, he speaks:

Here we met in a small frontier church building and more than one hundred Craftsmen assisted in bringing into being a new lodge—Flin Flon Lodge, located in what may possibly be the most northerly latitude in the Dominion.

With regard to general matters he comments wisely and well:

I would offer an opinion upon one type of dispensation. On eight different occasions application was made for a dispensation from as many lodges, for permission to re-ballot on a rejected candidate. I believe this to be an unusually large number of such requests and one wonders.

Freemasonry requires no parade, no brass band accompaniments, no advertising, no high pressure salesmanship, to declare the achievements of the past.

The ideal of friendliness is an ideal worth striving after. The spirit of neighbourliness, of being friendly, comes more naturally to the residents of the small town than to the busy herd life of the modern, crowded city. Even in the small town there is a danger of self-absorption and exclusiveness. The loneliness of crowds is an old, old tale. We are all familiar with the dejection of a new-comer to our own district, and have watched in silence the lonely individual eating his heart out in isolation. We make very few real friends in the rush and pressure of modern life.

Not the least of the problems confronting us today is how to keep the milk of human kindness from souring in our breasts. There is a danger of permitting the real social spirit to run off into abstractions. We all love humanity, because we say we do, but we are far too busy to love the common folk whom we meet every day. We cherish ideals, but we have forgotten how to be neighborly.

Friendship is a greater word than social service, and the Freemason can never measure out a fulfilment of his whole duty by the mere act of drinking coffee and smoking a cigar for a half hour, after the labor of the lodge is closed.

Freemasonry is the flowing river and not the stagnant pool.

We will be a world influence, whose wells are watered in individual hearts of men, men who have seen the beckoning light across the sacred altar of Freemasonry.

This is poetry in prose.

A letter from this Reviewer is acknowledged. He is proud to be an Honourary Past Grand Master of Manitoba.

The Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry has developed a line of its own and its importance is stressed in Manitoba as it is with us. The following extracts will illustrate the breadth of their horizon:

It must not be overlooked, that lodges—as a rule—are at their best when the D.D.G.M's are paying their official visits, and we should not fall into the error of concluding that Freemasonry has reached a state of perfection.

It is well to look for symptoms of incipient dormancy in every lodge and to apply necessary remedies at once. If a lodge does not convalesce quickly it must grow worse. Where activity ceases, retrogression begins. "The dormant Lodge is a dead branch carried on a living tree."

An examination of the books shows that non-attendance and non-payment of dues go hand-in-hand. We find that lodges which have the highest percentage of attendance usually have the lowest percentage of suspensions.

Poor attendance is generally a symptom. Ordinarily such a condition is due to the officers. Remedies that do not attack the root of the evil afford but temporary relief. Inferior officers lack personal magnetism.

In many lodges the business is carried on more like a political or directors' board meeting than with that necessary feeling of brotherliness dignified by the sacredness of the meeting which should permeate the Order."

The D.D.G.M's of the twelve Masonic Districts reported in condensed form.

The Committee on Research and Education did a great year's work:

Your Committee feels that the subject of organization and history should be as much a part of every lodge's regular activities as its ritual, and thus would be created a ground work for the extension of our members' interests into broader fields of activity and research.

543 books were circulated from the Library.

Membership 12,253. Increase 185.

Grand Chaplain Findlay delivered an appealing speech. We share these nuggets of thought with our readers:

Now from the point of view of our larger citizenship as members of the great British Commonwealth of Nations there is to this direction a spontaneous and ready response on the part of Canadians generally. This might be proved in many ways but in no way more emphatically, concretely, or spectacularly than by the ready response of Canada to the call of Empire in the War.

What after all is the end and aim of the social life but, as one has said, to "produce the largest number of free human spirits, of generous human hearts, of strong human hands, of pure human homes, and of noble human lives?"

As pastor, prophet, and priest; as statesman, educationalist, and citizen; Archbishop Matheson has made a wonderful contribution to Manitoba.

The idea of Imperialism breaks down all walls of a selfish insularity and aims at the best interests of the whole Anglo-Saxon race, and the Federation of the Provinces of Canada has been a most important factor in the fostering of this idea.

The greatest object was to preserve the Imperial tie. In this connection the words of A. H. U. Colquhoun, in "The Fathers of Confederation", are interesting: "Of all the achievements of the Fathers," he says, "this is the most splendid and enduring. The Empire came to mean not the survival of antiquated ideas, but, the blessings of a well-ordered civilization

George Hunter was elected Grand Master.

Frederick Cook of Ottawa, represents Manitoba, and J. C. Walker Reid represents Canada.

From the Foreword of the Review of M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid, who is retiring, we take the following paragraphs:

There is so much to learn from Masonry and so many different branches of study in connection with it, that any one man can, during a lifetime, learn only part of what there is to know. Some prefer the study of its possible or probable ancient history, some its symbolism and others its moral lessons, and so on. We often hear or read how necessary Masonic education is without hearing of any particular system being adopted. One American reviewer claims that of the more than 3,000,000 Masons in the United States possibly three per cent. know any more about Masonry than was told them on the nights they received their degrees.

It seems to me to be a very good plan to have a short talk of say ten minutes given after the conferring of each degree, a talk which would convey to the young Mason knowledge not communicated in the work of that degree. The trouble is he gets too much to assimilate in one night.

R.W. Bro. H. L. Adolph has been appointed his successor and we welcome him into the fold, parting with regret with M.W. Bro. Reid.

From the review of Alberta we take the following:

The Grand Master declined an invitation from the Order of the Eastern Star to welcome in his official capacity their annual communication in Edmonton, and asked that Grand Lodge should express their views on the point. The Committee said:

"Since it is a fact that there is no connection between the Masonic Order and the Order of the Eastern Star, we

suggest that the Grand Master should not attend any meeting of the O.E.S., in an official capacity."

From California this:

The subject of Clubs is being more and more discussed in Grand Lodges and there appear to be quite different kinds of them.

Several clandestine lodges in the State are being investigated and it has become evident that many Filipinos have been made the innocent victims of those who charge them a fee and sell them all sorts of regalia.

Of Grand Master Martin's jointly composed address at Ottawa, the Reviewer complimentarily says:

The Address was a very fine one, the real spirit of Freemasonry showing in every part of it.

The Committee on the Address back the G.M. up in his wishes for progress along those lines and say that if they are to keep abreast of the times and in consonant progress with their Sister Grand Jurisdictions, some system of specialized, almost scientific, education, thought out along truly Masonic lines, is vitally necessary; that other jurisdictions have pioneered the way and that they should adopt, adapt and improve.

He emphasizes the personal equation.

England strikes this warning note:

The Grand Lodge of England has always held that Quasi-Masonic bodies which claim to be fraternal, and the membership of which is restricted to those who take certain vows, and thereby are admitted to participation in a secret ceremony, are irregular within the meaning of the Ancient Charges of the Craft.

Ireland is worthily jealous for her reputation in Ritual:

The question of helping our overseas brethren to maintain the purity of our old and historic Irish Ritual grows more urgent every year.

From the review of Saskatchewan, quoting the Grand Chaplain, we take this final extract as striking the condition everywhere:

"Looking out on world conditions as I see them I say with all the passion of my soul to my brother Masons 'WAKE UP!'" The time for lethargy is past and the time for action is here. If Masonry means anything and has anything to offer for the world's good, then let us to our task. Let us with something of the old passion, enthusiasm, and loyalty of the Crusaders of old, fare us forth!

MARYLAND

Warren S. Seipp, M.W. Grand Master.

George R. Gorsuch, R.W. Acting Grand Master.

George Cook, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge assembled in state on April 14th, 1930, to conduct the funeral of their beloved Grand Master, Warren S. Seipp, whose name was a household word of honor through many Grand Jurisdictions. Many brethren from a distance attended the last said rites, which are partly thus described:

M.W. Bro. Seipp died April 11th, 1930, at the Maryland University Hospital in Baltimore. More than Fifteen Thousand Brethren and Friends of our late Grand Master viewed the body. Guards of Honor composed of the Grand Inspectors and the Boys of the De Molay performed Guard Duty from 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon until 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, when the funeral services were conducted by Grand Lodge.

Grand Chaplain Powers delivered the funeral oration and paid a wonderful tribute to our departed brother, who died in knightly harness:

What a splendid personality was his. Winsome, sweet, strong. He made friends readily, almost unconsciously and held them to his heart without effort. To know him was to love him.

How often have we heard him say to the young initiate: "You have now received the degrees of Masonry; but whether you ever really become a Mason, depends upon yourself." He lived his creed.

This man was inherently royal.

Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in truth. Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

That, my brethren, is a portrait of the Grand Master of Masons. His life was a life of love expressed in the untiring service which is ever a mark of true greatness.

He was, indeed, the friend of man, the bad, the good, the weak, the strong, the wise, the foolish. His great, understanding heart could sympathize with all and his hands were ever ready to minister lovingly.

Of all the bright dreams of high accomplishment which he cherished, perhaps none ever filled his horizon more completely than the Masonic Home at Bonnie Blink. To this noble and glorious work of love he devoted the ripest

of his talents, and to it he gave unstintedly of his strength, and as it now seems to us, his very life as the last full measure of devotion. Brethren of the jurisdiction of Maryland, shall we not seize the torch which has fallen from those nerveless fingers, and like those racers in the Grecian games, carry it toward the goal? What nobler monument could there be for our beloved friend than the palace of his dreams, completed by loving hearts and willing hands, a refuge for the aged, outdistanced in the race of life; a sanctuary for little children left in the big dark world without the blessings of maternal solicitude or paternal protection?

Yet I carved in the timber,
 Yet I cut in the stone;
 'After me cometh a builder,
 Tell him, I too, have known!"

Our friend is dead. A great loneliness is upon us.
 O love, that will not let me go,
 I rest my weary soul on thee,
 I give thee back the life I owe,
 That in thine ocean depths its flow
 May richer, fuller be.

On May 12th a Lodge of Sorrow in his memory was held at Baltimore and the whole ceremony, full of rhythm and dignity, is printed in full and should be preserved as forming a useful model or precedent for any similar occasion. Towards the close all lights in the Lodge were gradually dimmed and finally all lights out and Sound Low Twelve: then gradually the room was re-lighted. A bunch of white lillies was placed on the south side of the altar, a bunch of red roses on the west side and a wreath of evergreen on the east side. He had been on the staff of the Polytechnic Institute and was Vice-President of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company.

A semi-annual Communication was held May 13th, 1930, at Baltimore.

The Masonic Home Fund amounts to nearly \$400,000. The farm is carried on prosperously with pedigreed stock and all modern developments.

The Library Committee emphasizes Masonic Education:

The Secretary and Chairman of the Library Committee attended a National Conference of Masonic Educators held in Philadelphia recently, where interesting papers were presented by outstanding Masonic historians and writers of this country and Canada.

The One Hundred and forty-fourth Annual Communication was held in Baltimore, November 18th, 1930. Canada was duly represented by Harry B. Wright.

New Jersey was welcomed.

Membership 34,215. Net gain 216.

The annual Corn Husking de luxe was duly held and is thus described:

Our third annual Corn Husking, held on Armistice Day, broke all records in that on account of the unprecedented drought the Corn Crop was the smallest and all other features were the largest. You may estimate the attendance when I tell you that an actual count showed 1019 automobiles and 6 large buses on the ground at one time.

The Committee on Grievances had nothing to do and this is no sin of omission.

The Library Committee made another Report, saying:

Masters of lodges are urged to provide Masonic educational features in conjunction with their lodge work. It is our thought that an occasional short talk on a Masonic subject will help to increase the lodge attendance.

The Committee on Library will co-operate with any Master desiring to promote an educational program in his lodge.

The Committee on Foreign Relations postponed recognition of Ecuador.

Practical philanthropy and good will were shown by Grand Lodge in sending fraternal regards and love to their Grand Chaplain, Rev. Henry Branch, D.D., with a cheque for \$200.

R.W. Bro. Gorsuch was elected Grand Master.

The Memorial page is devoted to the brethren of Maryland who have entered that unseen state from whence none return.

H. R. H. Kenner of Peterborough, Principal of the collegiate there, represents Maryland. If any Mason wants an enduring philosophy of life let him write to R.W. Bro. Kenner and he will not be disappointed.

John L. Sanford is the erudite and accomplished Grand Correspondent. He says in his introduction:

We have endeavored in this Report to bring to the attention of Maryland those occurrences in other Grand Jurisdictions with which it is in correspondence that may prove of interest or from whose experience valuable lessons may be derived and also such quotations as may serve as inspiration for Masonic endeavor.

We regret that Canada did not fall under his appreciative eye.

This from his review of California:

"Then again Masonry is committed to the ideal of a federal department of education with a secretary in the President's Cabinet."

How, when, where or by whom has Masonry (Symbolic Masonry—Blue Lodge Masonry—TRUE AND BASICALLY ALL OF MASONRY) committed itself to the idea of a Federal Board of Education? He goes on to say:

"It is startling that America has left the education of her young so fully to the care of states and local units."

Why is it so "startling" to leave the education of the young in a community to that community (we use the word to mean also State) which should best know the needs of its young and should certainly be more interested in securing their education and welfare than outsiders?

Are local rights ("State's Rights") to be wiped entirely away and is the Federal Government to take over this subject of education of the young which is so near and dear to individuals composing localities and themselves aiding in and directing in the proper functioning of local school boards and school agencies? And has not the system of local public education free from federal control (as we now have it) proved its efficiency?

We excerpt the following from his review of Illinois as informative and educational:

Illinois has a compendious Code of Masonic Law and the Brethren in that Grand Jurisdiction seem to take a great deal of enjoyment from their efforts to embrace within it the minute treatment of every question that might, could, would or should arise. . . . We can only state we prefer our common law method of procedure concerning our Masonic Law about which we have spoken in our Correspondence Report for the year 1929.

We believe that laws cannot well be so worded as to include every contingency that may arise no matter how precisely worded or, as the Civil Law puts it: "*Neque leges neque senatus-consulta ita scribi possunt ut omnes casus qui quandoque inciderint comprehendantur, sed sufficit ea quae plerumque accidunt contineri.*"

Cases differ even when there may be an apparent similarity or as was said in connection with straining the application of court opinions: "There may be sometimes an apparent similarity between cases; but it ought not to be forgotten that mere similarity is not identity. It is a common fallacy, this inference that a conclusion is universally and under all conditions, sound, because it is sound in a particular instance and under peculiar circumstances. It does not follow that a conclusion which is true *secundum quid*, or in a certain respect, is also true *simpliciter*, or simply and absolutely" (85 Md., 573). Formalism should not fetter but should aid.

Bro. Sanford has views which always find expression with regard to State rights and education. He says under Oklahoma:

The Grand Master evidently favors the Robinson Bill favoring the creation of a Federal Department of Education. We regret his stand in this matter as we believe that this will be another usurpation, or at least a forcible control, of another right which should belong to the various States.

If we are to maintain a vestige of local government—if we are to keep up those principles upon which the government of this country was founded (although many of those principles have been set aside or lost sight of) let us maintain those few States' Rights that remain.

He could not resist—neither could we—the reproduction of the poem on "Building" found in Saskatchewan:

We are building every day,
In a good or evil way,
And the structure as it grows
Will our inmost self disclose.

Till in every arch and line
All our faults and failings shine;
It may grow a castle grand,
Or a wreck upon the sand.

Do you ask what building this
That can show both pain and bliss,
That can be both dark and fair?
Lo, its name is Character.

Build it well, whate'er you do;
Build it straight and strong and true;
Build it clean and high and broad;
Build it for the eye of God.

Scotland affords a most interesting subject of review and in this instance, as in others, Bro. Sanford does not confine himself to Craft knowledge alone but draws from his own reservoir of knowledge:

Roslin Castle is situated in the lovely Valley of the Esk so beloved of Sir Walter Scott. The Castle dates probably from the Fourteenth Century and is the ancestral residence of the Saint Clairs or Sinclairs, whose early ancestor is supposed to have been a companion of William, the Conqueror, in 1066.

The building of this Chapel became the great delight of Sir William Sinclair who by high wages induced many skilful Masons, many of these from the Continent, to take part in its construction. Doubtless for this reason, the architecture, while it is style "florid Gothic", is said to be unlike any other known structure. The fact that there are fifteen arches of different styles in the choir tend to prove the assertion that many workmen vied in demonstrating their individual tastes.

In this Chapel is the celebrated "Prentice Pillar" so well known in Masonic legend. The story runs that the Master-mason (or as we should call him the architect) having charge left the work for some reason and that while so absent, a gifted apprentice undertook to carve this pillar which the master-workman had begun. Upon the return of the latter he found this handsome column and becoming incensed at the interference he struck the apprentice on the head with a setting maul and caused his instant death.

The distinction between history and narrative is thus brought out under Washington:

The true definition of the word "history" is lost sight of not only in dealing with the legends of the Degrees but in the account of the origin of Speculative Freemasonry.

"History is an authentic and systematic record of events in the career of a nation or community.

"In its strict sense it contains the five elements of (1) authenticity; (2) a scheme or philosophical system of statement; (3) a narration of matters of public or general interest; (4) a narration of past events; (5) a recorded (written) statement.

"The word is often used in a broader sense when one, or more, of the above elements may be lacking, or as synonymous with 'narrative'."

The origin of the Royal Arch Degree is always a subject of interest and of research. Here is Bro. Sanford's contribution:

He touches upon a very interesting subject, the consideration of which involves the question as to how far the Royal Arch Degree was connected with the original institution of Speculative Freemasonry by its originators—in other words whether the "Lost Word" was intended to be found or whether its loss and the effort to find same was not in itself intended to symbolically represent the never ending search for all that is good and holy—and continuous.

The origin of the Royal Arch Degree is a much mooted question and is wrapped in the obscurity of the Past. There are many theories as to its introduction and Masonic students differ in this as in many other matters of a similar nature owing to the insufficient records of those times and to the differences growing out of the schism in English Freemasonry which occurred about the middle of the Eighteenth Century and was not healed until the union of the "Moderns" and "Ancients" in the coalition of the two Grand Lodges in the year 1813. Some claim that this degree—the finding of the "Lost Word"—was originally a portion of the ritual of the Blue Lodge and was taken thence to formulate another degree, while others contend that it was introduced under and by the doctrines of that picturesque figure, the Chevalier Ramsay.

MASSACHUSETTS

Herbert W. Dean, M.W. Grand Master.

Frederick W. Hamilton, R.W. Grand Secretary.

At each special Communication which was held by Grand Lodge to celebrate an anniversary of constituent lodges a full history of the lodge so honoured is given and printed in the Proceedings, a custom worth imitating.

Quarterly Communication was held March 10th, 1930, at Boston. The Grand Master delivered an address at each meeting and did not confine himself to one annual review.

A year in which there are great opportunities to do those worthwhile things which we as Masons have pledged ourselves to do. We must, however, be careful to see that we do only those things which we as Masons are supposed to do. Many opportunities present themselves which appeal to our hearts, which arouse our enthusiasm, but which do not come within the scope of our duty as Masons.

The question regarding those non-masonic bodies whose membership is based on Masonic affiliations is becoming a serious problem in many sections of the country. To avoid the dangers that come from these connections, I feel that we should lose no opportunity to impress upon the Fraternity that these organizations are non-masonic, should not be referred to as Masonic, and can never be recognized as Masonic.

He calls chain letters "these silly things".

Of the Masonic Home and Hospital he speaks most favourably:

It is with a feeling of satisfaction and relief that I come to you today with the statement that all construction at the Home and Hospital is complete, and all bills are paid.

They do not seem like institutions; they are as we wish to have them—safe harbors where those of our brothers who have been battered by the storms of life may find a safe anchorage as our guests.

The returns should prove both an inspiration and a challenge.

We have received \$1000 from our Lodges in China; contributions from every lodge in the Canal Zone; and \$300 from Huelen Lodge of 100 members in Chile.

He lays down the old conservative rule:

It is well established by custom and precedent that no lodge is permitted to appear as a lodge in any procession that is not purely Masonic.

Under Service Bureau he gives some helpful and practical social suggestions:

A reception committee large enough to welcome and introduce to others every member entering the lodge-room and to bid all good night and invite them to come again would do much to promote increased attendance and fraternal spirit.

A closer, more prolonged and helpful touch with the widows and orphans of those who have left us could be given.

Assistance in arranging programs for meetings when there is no work would be of valuable assistance to the Master.

He has no uncertain opinion about the desirability of smaller lodges:

For over twenty years we have been deploring the ever increasing size of lodges. During that time the maximum has nearly doubled. We have realized the disadvantages that have attended this growth; lack of interest, decreased attendance, lack of opportunity to participate in lodge affairs, loss of the personal touch, and of the formation of friendships that mean so much to Freemasonry.

We must consider not particularly the welfare of the individual lodge but the welfare of the Fraternity as a whole.

The whole of the Constitutions and Regulations are printed in full in the Proceedings—819 Sections besides Rules—and our Brethren in Canada will find part of the Constitutions full of interest:

PREAMBLE

Freemasonry is a charitable, benevolent, educational, and religious secret society, adhering to its own peculiar ancient Landmarks. Its methods of recognition and of symbolic instruction are secret and thereby a test of membership is provided, though a brother be traveling in foreign countries and among those who would otherwise be strangers.

It is religious in that it teaches monotheism, the Volume of the Sacred Law is open upon its altars whenever a lodge is in session, worship of God is ever a part of its ceremonial, and to its neophytes and brethren alike are constantly addressed lessons of morality; yet it is not theological.

It is a social organization only so far as it furnishes additional inducement that men may foregather in numbers, thereby providing more material for its primary work of training, of worship, and of charity.

THE GRAND LODGE

Grand Lodge, when congregated, is a representation of every individual brother of its jurisdiction. It is the supreme and sovereign Masonic authority, executive, legislative and judicial and is subject only to the

Ancient Landmarks and to such limitations as it may impose upon itself or are imposed by the law of the land.

The Grand Secretary is described as the general ministerial officer of the Grand Lodge. This he is in every sense.

A fine extract from history of Gate of the Temple lodge is worth recording:

The outstanding characteristic of Gate of the Temple Lodge is what we know as the "Gate Spirit". Our early brethren planted here the spirit of harmony and co-operation, of friendliness and brotherly love, and that spirit has ever characterized our gatherings; it holds the members by its mystic charm and welcomes the visitors and strangers amongst us, with the warmth of a cordial and friendly fraternal greeting.

It has sometimes been said in regard to religion that it is caught; not taught. I sometimes think that perhaps is true of Freemasonry.

Quarterly Communication June 11th, 1930. Acting Grand Master Jones in the absence of the Grand Master in China, conducted the Proceedings.

He pays a tribute to the late R.W. Bro. Arthur G. Pollard:

One cannot speak too highly of the worth and character of Bro. Pollard. To very exceptional ability was added a singular sweetness of character.

A vexed question, the right of Burial, receives full consideration:

Mackey in his Masonic Jurisprudence, on the Rights of Master Masons, enumerates nine such rights. Of these, the eighth is "The Right of Burial". Concerning this he says in part, "The right to be conducted to his last home by his brethren, and to be committed to his Mother Earth with the ceremonies of the Order, is one that, under certain restrictions, belongs to every Master Mason."

These restrictions are:

- (1) That the brother be a Master Mason.
- (2) That he himself made the request; and
- (3) That the request be communicated seasonably to a lodge of which, at the time of his death, he was a Mason in good standing.

Of entertainments the acting Grand Master brought home clearly and forcibly the duty of the presiding officer:

It is the duty of every Master, (or in his absence, of the Senior Warden) to take every possible precaution to prevent the presentation of any entertainment of an objectionable character in connection with a lodge meeting or any activity sponsored by the lodge. He should not only in-

investigate the character of the proposed entertainment personally, not leaving it to a committee or any Brother, but he should warn the entertainers that nothing of an objectionable character will be tolerated, and he should stop the entertainment instantly if he finds that his warning has not been heeded.

Questionable jokes, songs of doubtful significance, are both a poor preparation for and valueless as a supplement of the reception or witnessing of a Masonic degree.

Grand Lodge secured a priceless Henry Price chair and it was made the occasion of a revival of reminiscences regarding that distinguished Mason, on whose tombstone is engraved with other memorials the following :

Hope concerning his present lot which results from his undissembled regard to his Maker and extensive benevolence to his Fellow-Creatures, manifested in life by a behaviour consistent with his character as a Mason, and his Nature as a Man.

This Reviewer is the proud possessor of the Henry Price Medal.

Quarterly Communication September 10, 1930, R.W. Bro. Harry G. Pollard represented Canada. Of his kinsman the late R.W. Bro. Arthur G. Pollard, the Grand Master said:

A rare combination of conservative and progressive ideas—a splendid type of an upright man.

Lodge funds must be devoted to the Craft. The Grand Master rules:

It is not deemed proper for any lodge to contribute to the support of a unit of any non-masonic organization.

The Grand Master visited China District and incidentally many other countries including England and India. His trip is described in graphic detail, every page of which is full of interest. The beginning was auspicious:

On March 28th we participated in a Masonic conference which I believe did much toward promoting a better understanding with our British Brethren. Lord Amptill, the Pro Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, presided.

The meeting was informal and was characterized by a splendid co-operative spirit. It showed that our aims and ideals were practically the same and that the benefit to be derived from an interchange of ideas was such as to make more frequent meetings of this type desirable.

Contrasts do not pass unnoticed:

In America our Unknown Soldier lies in a soldiers' cemetery among service men of all ranks; in England, at Westminster Abbey surrounded by Kings, Queens, and

England's noted men; in France in a centre of the busy life of the people—all different, all respected and honored.

India afforded a number of attractive experiences:

There were five Bibles on the Altar; the Master was a Mohammedan, and one of the candidates who received the first degree was a Parsee and the other a Hindoo. The work was done in English in a dignified and impressive manner, and our informal contact with the members after the meeting was greatly enjoyed.

The sight of the Taj Mahal by moonlight at Agra was worth the entire trip. Words are inadequate to express its unreal beauty as the moonlight touched the inlays of precious stones which cover it, lighting them to glow like electric lights for a moment and then give place to others.

Of the experiences in China, the main objective, the Grand Master says:

Conditions in China are not yet stabilized, existing lodges are laboring under many difficulties, and I do not believe that we would be doing justice so the petitioners or to ourselves by increasing the number of lodges in the district at this time, and I therefore felt obliged to refuse to grant a dispensation to form Chung Hua Lodge.

A Chinese tiffin was given us by the petitioners for the dispensation, at which we were initiated into the mysteries of chop sticks, sharks' fins, 100-year old eggs, and other delicacies. Under the tutelage of Bro. C. T. Wang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, I managed to convey everything safely to my mouth, which was the principal object to be gained.

In Peking we found the China that we had been expecting to see—with its walls within walls, its palaces, temples.

We attended a meeting of International Lodge.

Here truly were united men of many countries, sects, and opinions. Eleven nationalities meeting in harmony; East and West meeting upon the level; the first candidate raised a Chinese who was later Master of the lodge; a place where the spirit of the brotherhood of man is in the atmosphere.

He sums up the results of the trip eloquently as follows:

It has brought to me something I shall always prize—a larger, broader vision of the opportunities and possibilities of Freemasonry. It has given me the opportunity of seeing the part that Masonry could play in the adjustment of many of the problems that face the world today. Not by taking any active part as an organization, for I am more convinced than ever that the line must be clearly drawn between our duties as Masons and as individuals, but in

creating confidence, tolerance, and a better understanding among men of all races, creeds, and opinions.

It has confirmed my belief in the value of smaller lodges.

It has impressed upon me the need of education and then more education, not in the ritual particularly, but education in meeting our fellow men on a common ground—education as to what that common ground on which there can be no difference of opinion really is. And there is such a common ground, for whether a man be a Mohammedan or Jew, a Hindoo or a Catholic, a Buddhist, Parsee, or Christian, they can all agree in a belief in a Supreme Being; they can all agree in the duty that they owe to that universal brotherhood, mankind.

It may be an ideal, but what is life without ideals?

Let us try to think of Masonry in larger terms.

M.W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson presented the Report of the Committee on Recognition, from which we extract:

German Freemasonry has never adopted the system of exclusive territorial sovereignty of Grand Lodges. The Grand Lodges in the Union and several others having their sees in various parts of Germany have concurrent jurisdiction throughout the Republic.

We recommend that these four Grand Lodges be added to the list of those recognized.

Quarterly Communication December 10th, 1930.

Membership 124,709, recording a loss of 274.

They have one brother in the Home who has attained his 104th birthday, which was celebrated with special features.

Of the practical philanthropy of the Service Bureau it is well said:

8,485 cases of service rendered—8,485 of our brothers or their dependents who were in trouble of some description during the past year; 8,485 times when they found that to help some brother did help.

Fifty of our members in foreign jurisdictions found the same helping hand through this organization. We were happy to give service to 68 of our brothers from other Jurisdictions here in Massachusetts.

York Grand Lodge of Mexico received recognition.

A special Committee reported in connection with a Tyler's appeal as to the right to vote and as to voting being required by every member present "present as here used, means inside the lodge, that is, present within the tyled door."

M.W. Bro. Dean was re-elected for a third term.

Stated Communication was held December 29th, for installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Feast of Saint John.

M.W. Bro. Dudley H. Ferrell, one of our Honorary Past Grand Masters, introduced M.W. Bro. Dargavel and R.W. Bro. Logan, Grand Secretary, who were warmly received.

With regard to brethren expelled, Grand Secretary Hamilton reported:

Lists were sent to all Secretaries and furnished to Chapters, Councils, Commanderies, and Scottish Rite bodies.

After installation the Grand Master fervently made the ancient response:

"May the Grand Architect of the Universe pour down His blessings upon this Society, and enable us to discharge the great trust reposed in us to the honor of His name and of the Royal Art, and may there never be wanting such to fill the Chair who shall promote Masonry and the good of mankind so long as the world endureth. Amen."

M.W. Bro. Dargavel was presented with a Henry Price Medal.

At the Grand Feast this was one of the four regular toasts:

To all the Fraternity Wheresoever Dispersed upon the Face of the Earth.

The Grand Master in his address emphasized the future.

Tonight I hope that I can paint for you a vision of the possibilities of the future. With the increased means of transportation and communication, the possibilities of Freemasonry have changed. With the increase of numbers in Freemasonry has come an increase in the power of Freemasonry, if properly directed. No longer is the lodge solely a community group. No longer is a Grand Jurisdiction sufficient unto itself. The time has come when we must realize that Masonry knows no national lines.

The words "Brotherly Love" can be spoken in any language.

They say that a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. Therefore it is our duty to make sturdy links. The future of our Masonry depends upon the quality of our Masons.

Teach them that success is measured by good deeds rather than by dollars.

Teach them the need of their reliance upon their fellow men. Teach them to know their lodge members better, that they may find the good qualities which are in men.

A lodge should learn, first of all, its dependence on other lodges. Any Masonic lodge, if cut off from contact with other lodges, from the co-ordinating direction of the Grand Lodge, would in a short time become Masonic in name only.

We need that human contact, that vital spark.

Many addresses followed: One extract from the speech of Rabbi Abrams:

Unity through Fraternity, without which the world would be a barren place to live in, must forever be the morning star of our lives and of the lives of all the sons of God. (Applause).

R.W. Bro. Crandall emphasized the text "above all Nations is humanity" and "above all religions is Religion."

Then came the introduction by the Grand Master of our own Grand Master, described as follows:

The national relations that we have with our neighbors on the North, with thousands of miles of boundary line, with no troops to protect it, and the understanding we have, are all based upon the confidence that we have in each other. To show that we are going to know our neighbors on the North better is proved by the fact that we have a representative here tonight. He already knows us better.

We would like to reproduce the whole of the splendid address by M.W. Bro. Dargavel. Space only permits the following and the noble spirit can be caught from these paragraphs:

Massachusetts, a jurisdiction that I have always recognized as being brilliant in its history, honored in its constituency, rich and inspiring in its traditions.

Masonry in our day and in the future must transcend all state and national boundaries, both in its influence, its spirit, and its teachings.

The only aristocracy we shall recognize will be the aristocracy of brains and of heart.

We probably have too many of the casual and indifferent Masons who do not realize what I choose to call the mathematics of our Fraternity.

We must also realize that down through the centuries it has met a great need in the life of mankind.

Co-operation means success and dissention means disaster.

Freemasonry has not only length. It has also breadth.

An Institution that knows no flag or nationality. Every country is its field; the world its domain.

But Freemasonry has not only length and breadth. It has likewise height. Freemasonry is an ideal.

The mission and the vision of Freemasonry in our day and for the future is to make that ideal more real and more constructive, that we may create in this world of ours an altar of faith.

What is the depth of Freemasonry? It cannot be defined. It cannot be explained, but it has its expression in that indefinable essence which we are pleased to call the spirit, or the soul, of Masonry.

Peace is not to be accomplished by mere treaties or pacts, but it must be ultimately realized in the minds and hearts of men.

We have learned in the development of our great Anglo-Saxon democracy, that the ills of humanity cannot be cured by royal mandates or legislation in Congress or Acts of Parliament. You may cover your land and my land with laws and edicts. You may plant a law officer and a law court at every corner and on every cross road. What do these avail, unless you and I recognize individual duty and responsibility.

May it be a temple real, definite, and tangible, wherein there is more of the spirit of right and less of might; more of love and less of hate; more of kindness and less of bitterness; more of toleration and less of bigotry.

Man is slowly discovering the soul of his brother.

The effect of this address, was well expressed by the Grand Master.

My brethren, I believe that you can see that vision of mine growing more real.

I think that you can realize that there is no Masonic dividing line between Massachusetts and Ontario; that our hands are clasped over the same ideals; that forevermore we will be working toward the same end, with the same spirit in our hearts.

Grand Master Johnson of New York, was introduced as representing a Jurisdiction that can be measured by size and by accomplishment and the rating will be equally good. His address was fine in sentiment and eloquent in delivery. Just a few illustrative extracts:

The great question is not where we came from. The greater question is the question of destiny.

"Where do we go from here?" That was a very common statement in the days of the war, and the boys very often in a time of critical situation would say with a great deal of jocularity, "Where do we go from here?"

We are the heirs of the past.

We are the ancestors of the future. We are the ones who are laying the plans.

Can an institution begun in the dim past, going through the years of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, with many ancient customs and many ancient forms—can an institution like that live in a machine age and live in the future, when the age is going to be more super powerful than any age has been in the past?

Are you a Mason? A man says, "Of course I am a Mason. I have a pocketful of cards. I have paid my dues. I belong to everything from the Blue Lodge to the Shrine." I don't know whether that is up, or down; you can figure it out for yourselves.

Suppose you have all of the degrees your dues are paid up, and you have a list of degrees and titles that would stagger the imagination. What of it? Are you a Mason?

That man is a Mason who has in his soul that point of view and that attitude toward God and his fellow men which Masonry teaches. I am frank to say that I sometimes find outside of Masonry men who are better Masons in their souls than men who have a whole handful of degrees, and have taken fifty-seven varieties of initiation in Masonry.

I know not where His islands lift
Their fronded palms in air.
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care.

Masonry will live, in modified form of organization perhaps; in changing forms of method of procedure perhaps in reaching its members; Masonry will live in the old form of love of country, love of the Brethren, love of God, through all the ages.

This Reviewer is proud to be the Grand Representative of Massachusetts near Canada, and Canada is represented by R.W. Bro. Harry H. Pollard.

MICHIGAN

Roscoe O. Bonisteel, M.W. Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, P.G.M., R.W. Grand Secretary.

William H. Gallagher, R.W. Grand Chaplain.

The Eighty-sixth Communication was held in Jackson, 27th May, 1930.

The Masons of Ann Arbor extended to Grand Master Bonisteel the felicitations of the Masons of Ann Arbor.

Grand Master Bonisteel of Canadian and Bay of Quinte descent, then made the following announcement and called upon M.W. Bro. Anderson, also an Ontario man, to present our Grand Master.

Brethren: We have some distinguished guests we want to introduce here. Before doing so, I would like to ask Brother F. Homer Newton, if he will carry the British flag to the altar and place it beside the American flag, then, brethren, when the Grand Master of Ontario comes in, Brother Stewart is going to play one verse of America, which we will sing, followed by one verse of God Save the King.

Today, I have the especial pleasure of presenting to you, and through you to the brethren my distinguished brother, Most Worshipful R. B. Dargavel, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Bro. Leavy on behalf of the Mayor of Jackson, made the address of welcome, saying:

Jackson has never been affiliated with a mushroom or overnight growth, which speaks well for the stability, progress and industry of its people.

Jackson is the hub of Michigan.

D.G.M. Dolliver acknowledged the welcome:

We thank you for this weather and all the other things you are responsible for. You know a Chamber of Commerce booster who was visiting a friend in a neighboring town, replied, when the friend said to him, "This is a beautiful moonlight night," "Yes, pretty good, for a town of this size."

From the Grand Master's able address we make some interesting extracts:

I believe if we would give the Masons of the State of Michigan all the facts with regard to Grand Lodge they would respond to any real need of the Fraternity.

The finance committee were authorized to put in a fire proof system so that our records would be kept in a modern and up-to-date way. The cost of the system and the fire proof filing cases will be practically made up by the lack of the usual number of Masonic functions during the past year.

I made the suggestion to the Masonic Home Board that it provide, for the use of the constituent lodges of this state, a pamphlet suitably and properly written and set up, describing the Masonic Home and its activities, to be given to every new member.

If the Craft is kept fully informed of our charity work we will receive many gifts from unlooked-for sources. By a constructive program our work will progress.

It is my judgment that all new additions to our Home will come by gift and that it will never be necessary to levy assessments after the present five-dollar one is paid.

A brother from Flint agreed to furnish five rooms at an average cost of \$250.00 per room.

The Craftsmen's Club have conferred the Third Degree in a number of lodges. There has been a marked interest in the work of the members of this club who are students attending the University of Michigan. In a sense it is a missionary work because when the young men leave the University they carry with them to all the other Grand Jurisdictions a knowledge of Masonry in Michigan.

There is entirely too much diffusion of effort by reason of other bodies continually being organized basing membership upon Blue Lodge and thus detracting from Masonry itself.

Each time a new organization bobs up it takes the position that because its membership is prerequisite upon Masonry therefore it should have the use of our lodge rooms and the facilities of our Temples. If it continues the "tail will be wagging the dog."

Possibly the solution of the problem in part at least, is more Blue Lodges, instead of so many large lodges. I have encouraged the starting of new lodges in communities where they can be properly maintained. It is my judgment that lodges can become so large that they are top-heavy and the interest of the members cease because of lack of personal contact.

In other words, my experience has taught me that the successful lodge is the one which has leadership. To be successful, Masonically speaking, does not mean side-show attractions to draw the crowd.

Entertainment by lodges of so-called distinguished guests whose only claim to being distinguished is a vast amount of publicity obtained generally in a way which makes no real contribution to the needs of humanity, is to be condemned.

Grand Lodge needs the printed word to properly disseminate information and this agency is already filling a long-felt need.

You know, I think the Home is the great jewel of Masonry.

Michigan has developed a Masonic home at Alma, and the first orphan guest of the Masons of this state I am going to ask to be presented to you.

This year has been a very hard year for all the lodges because of the financial condition of the country. Many of the members have not paid their dues. Many have not paid their special assessments.

A lodge under dispensation is under the personal direction and jurisdiction of the Grand Master and in case a vacancy occurs for any reason in the office of Worshipful Master or the Wardens the Grand Master has power and it is his duty, to name a successor.

With the large membership in many of the lodges of the state, where the personal contacts are not possible between the members and between the officers and members, a form of notice to them of the petitioner or candidate for the degree would not be improper if such notices were sent out to the members under first class mail, postage prepaid.

On March 29th, 1930, the Grand Master turned the first sod at the site of the new \$650,000 Masonic Home at Alma, and he thus concluded his address.

We are just beginning. Truly we have turned the sod of practical usefulness.

Of the twenty-four Past Grand Masters living, eighteen were present:

The Roll of Honour was read by Grand Secretary Winsor. "We shall meet but we shall miss them."

Robert P. Anderson duly represented Canada.

A presentation was made to the Grand Master by Friendship Lodge. After the Grand Treasurer had spoken, the Grand Master forcibly emphasized the sacredness of trust funds saying:

I want now, while this matter is fresh and you may register properly, to say this to you, that the Grand Lodge has endowment funds, that is, funds left the Grand Lodge by gift or otherwise, the income from these funds to be used for certain specific purposes. These funds, or the interest thereon, cannot be diverted to any other purpose; in other words, these funds are not available for the general operating expenses of Grand Lodge.

You can make or break Grand Lodge.

Work out a budget.

The veteran and ever vital Grand Secretary said:

Of course, I am a little vain, like all men, a little proud of their age, and I want to call special attention to the fact this is my twenty-seventh report as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, and this is my forty-eighth year as a member of this Grand Lodge, without missing a single year.

Membership 151,734. Net loss 164.

In the discussion following the Report of the Board of Control of the Home it was said:

There was no investigation being made as to whether or not an applicant for outside relief, or for an admission to the home had relatives living in this Jurisdiction, who were capable and liable under the law for the support of those individuals.

We have changed the rule here so as to require a member of the order under ordinary circumstances to be a member five years before he is eligible to apply for this relief fund or admission to the home.

M.W. Bro. Dargavel made an eloquent and appealing address, saying:

It was 75 years ago that the Past Grand Master of your Grand Lodge installed our First Grand Master, and you then gave us your blessing, benediction and encouragement; consequently we have always looked upon you as our nearest of kin and our elder brother. And in this year as I have visited our Canadian Lodges at Sault Ste. Marie, have attended great gatherings of Masons in our Sarnia and our Windsor districts, and have seen the close fraternity that is between the Masons of our two Grand Lodges, I realize, brethren, that while we serve under two flags, while we owe allegiance to two Grand Lodges, to which we must always be loyal and always be true, still the Masons of Michigan and of Ontario have not only a point of contact, they have a common ground to band together in a united effort to make Masonry the symbol of truth and honor, an emblem of justice and righteousness, and in showing to the world at large that the power of this great fraternity is not in its secrecy nor in its numerical strength, nor even in the beauty and sanctity of its ritual, but rather in the simplicity of its faith, as becoming more and more an efficient servant of mankind.

While we know all brethren look upon our Masonry as a spiritual force grounded in its moral and ethical teachings, organized for its moral and humane influence, mellowed by its fellowship, humanized by its great benevolent activities and dedicated to the service of humanity for humanity's needs, we may make this Craft of ours more than a mere material institution, more than a secret society and we may make it even more than a system of morals. We may make it one of the missions of the Divine Spirit on this earth, fusing together all nations, all creeds and all classes in one great moral and spiritual fellowship, ever giving to our Masonry a truer, wider vision.

May this be the vision we are coming to see,
All nations are born to humanity free,
Master and servant, great men and low,
Are finding in trial the worth of each other.
The great scene of life with the dawn is aglow,
Man is slowly discovering the soul of his brother.

The Grand Lodge Service Commission reported:

In very many instances, these contests have developed valuable speakers for supplying the insistent demands of the lodges on various occasions.

The Grand Master urged all to express their opinions in the regular way:

There is a very feeble effort at voting. Let's have the courage of our convictions; we are either for or against;

we cannot be in a half-way place. All I ask is for you to put up your hands while voting.

The per capita tax was raised 40 cents.

Some useful definitions are given:

Moral turpitude has no well defined meaning in law and has never been defined by this Grand Lodge.

Generally speaking, moral turpitude means, contrary to justice, honesty, principle or good morals.

Whether a brother has offended against Masonry or not, should be determined by the members of his own lodge acting upon their Masonic honor, in the light of all the testimony, and not by the cold rules of legal evidence.

Grand Chaplain William H. Gallagher gave a characteristic Obituary Report, differing from the ordinary platitudes:

I emphatically deny that earthly pursuits are vain, and unstable. I emphatically deny that "vanity of vanities; all is vanity" is an apt Masonic slogan.

The acquisition of knowledge, cumulative through the centuries, disproves the dictum of the ancient preacher. A long time ago, St. Augustine wrote: "Nihil longe Deo;" and it has been the testimony of scholars in all the centuries that "nothing is far from God."

Like a golden thread, progress in the art of living runs through all generations, to the highest good of the race.

Always as I read the list the sun is shining. In communion with these brethren, my friends who have passed on, they seem to live again and I am once more happy in their presence.

A singular fascination this custom has for me. The sun shines. Roses bloom. Vivid green the grass. The birds are singing. The power of an endless life is upon me.

The denomination of the members of the Masonic Home was first "inmates", then "guests" was proposed. Finally the appellation of "residents" was chosen by Grand Lodge.

George B. Dolliver was elected Grand Master. He is Editor of a Battle Creek daily newspaper and is a noted singer. This from his biography:

As a member of the Congregational church in Battle Creek, by religious faith he is both broad and deep. He sings in Hebrew for Jewish congregations, in Latin for Catholic services, and in "Mary Baker Eddy", as he puts it, for the Christian Scientists.

He has wrought long and laboriously in the quarries of fraternal and community life, all of his achievements going to prove him to be our most worthy brother.

Grand Secretary Winsor thus recorded the visit to us at Ottawa:

The Grand Master invited me to accompany him to visit the Grand Lodge of Canada last summer at Ottawa. We arrived a little early for the session and were standing outdoors, as it was so hot inside. I have visited the Grand Lodge of Canada for a great many years, and am pretty well acquainted up there, and as two brothers approached where the Grand Master and I were standing one of them said, "Why, there is Lou Winsor. Come up, I want you to meet him." He came up; he said, "I want you to meet the Grand Master of the United States." Then Brother Bonisteel said, "I think you are taking in altogether too much territory. I want you to understand I am Grand Master of Michigan."

William N. Gatfield of Sandwich, represents Michigan. He is a good neighbor to have and to hold.

When William H. Gallagher ceases to be the Committee on Correspondence Michigan will be "put to it" to find as worthy and as vivid a successor. With him personal equation and contact and contagion count much. In his introduction he says:

The suspensions far outnumber the deaths. The number of members expelled is less than six hundred. In "quite a few" jurisdictions there has been a recession in membership, which I look upon as a temporary condition and resulting from certain well-known causes.

The condition of the Craft, temporal and spiritual, seems to be of the best. But following the advice of the Apostle Paul, we should be "diligent in business" so far as our beloved institution is concerned.

This from the Alberta review:

Long drawn-out ceremonies find little favor in this swift moving age and where the work can be readily reduced to the essentials required by time-honored exemplification I believe this should be done.

British Columbia contains the following:

The Grand Master's address consumes only eight pages. It is a report. The introduction evinces the literary ability of the Grand Master, literary ability held in restraint.

His review of Canada is generous. We quote:

These brethren arrived too late for the formal welcome. The watch presented to M.W. Grand Master Bonisteel by his brethren of Washtenaw county does not seem to be doing effective service.

The address was read by Deputy Grand Master Dargavel. It is only 17 pages long, but it is very long in quality. He tells of the rise and progress of Ottawa.

On "Dimits and Suspensions," the Grand Master writes at length, wisely and thoughtfully; delivers pungent sentences, quite worth while.

The "Conclusion" of this masterly address covers three pages and there follows what the committee to whom the address was referred has to say.

This year's report, like all that Brother Herrington writes, is illuminating and fascinating. We crave his gift.

A capital review is given the jurisdiction of Michigan by "E. B. B.", not Col. Ponton, who is the chairman. A courteous, ample, satisfactory review. The generous amount of space allotted to the Grand Chaplain reminds him of words to be found in Genesis 43-44. "But Benjamin's mess was five times as much as any of theirs."

Under Massachusetts we are glad to read:

I give you the following gem taken from the Eulogy read in memory of R. W. Frank W. Dobson,

So I am glad, not that my friend has gone,
But that the earth he laughed and lived upon,
Was my earth, too:

That I had closely known and loved him
And that my love I'd shown.

Tears over his departure?

Nay, a smile.

That I had walked with him a little while.

From Queensland review this truth:

God's workmen die; his work goes on. It seems cavalier to place some one immediately at the head of the institution. But while the individual dies, Masonry lives.

These quiet quotations we cannot resist reproducing from Scotland review:

The status of affairs it is easy to discover at a glance. Lists and informative statistics leave nothing to be desired. There is no address by the Grand Master Mason, nor are there any other forms of eloquence, except a report upon the "South African Visitation" by General Sir Robert Gilmour.

The necessary routine work that, so to speak, oils the machinery of Grand Lodge, was gone through with and the brethren went to their homes to carry on the benign work of Masonry for another year.

One thing stands out prominently that charity in Scotland is not a forgotten or neglected virtue, but the practice thereof always present to the minds of those who, in these later days, are made the very acme of meanness and thrift. Surely, we in the United States learned a lesson in liberality from Andrew Carnegie.

Praise of Lowndes of Wyoming from Gallagher is indeed worth while:

Throughout the Proceedings very often appears the name of Lowndes, the ubiquitous assistant of all who need help, and an ever present and never failing man of the hour. He is an integer, not a fraction.

MINNESOTA

Edwin J. Simon, M.W. Grand Master.

John Fishel, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Seventy-seventh Communication was held in St. Paul, January 15th, 1930.

The Grand Master of North Dakota was received.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters added their counsel and co-operation.

Herman Held as usual, faithfully represented Canada.

The Grand Master laid the cornerstone of the new High School and the Grand Officers and members were entertained by the Board of Education in the Refectory of the Technical High School.

Among his decisions we read:

A Brother, traveling in the Southern States, was stricken from the roll for non-payment of dues. The notice of such contemplated action, was mailed to him in Texas and although the lodge received the registry card signed by a hotel employee, their action was ruled null and void as the Brother's home was in the same town as the lodge and to that address the notice should have been mailed.

Minnesota has contributed 31% of her quota to the Washington Memorial.

Under Masonic Education the Grand Master well says:

Neither general business depression, nor as a result of the late war, are we justified in accepting this loss in our membership. I truly believe, as a Grand Lodge, we must assume some of the responsibility that confronts us when we note that 982 of our brethren were stricken from our rolls this past year.

It is not only a duty, but a privilege for this Grand Lodge to supervise this work, that our young men may know what Masonry is, what it means, and what to do with it.

Grand Orator Cummins thus eloquently spoke:

Paraphrasing the language of Senator Vance: This curious phenomenon in the physical world has its counterpart in the moral and social world. Through the ocean of mankind a mighty river flows.

While it does not refuse to mingle with the surrounding waves, nevertheless the line which divides its restless billows from the common waters of humanity is plainly visible to the eye. It is the Masonic fraternity.

No man-created order so intimately affects the personal equation in our social life as Masonry, and look where you will for a universal philosophy of right conduct, none can be found more worthy of allegiance than our own.

Sir William Blackstone, in his Commentaries on English Law, said: "Natural liberty consists properly in a power of acting as one thinks fit without any restraint or control unless by the law of nature; being a right inherent in us by birth and one of the gifts of God to man at his creation, when he endowed him with the faculty of free will." The same Commentator also said: "Political * * * or civil liberty, which is that of a member of society, is no other than natural liberty, so far restrained by human laws (and no farther) as is necessary and expedient for the general advantage of the public." The only restraint recognized by natural liberty is that of natural law. The only restraint recognized by civil liberty is that of natural and man-made law.

The Supreme Court of the United States had occasion to define the term "Liberty" in these words: "Without doubt liberty denotes not merely freedom from bodily restraint but also the right of the individual to contract, to engage in any of the common occupations of life, to acquire useful knowledge, to marry, establish a home and bring up children, to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience, and generally to enjoy those privileges long recognized at Common law as essential to the orderly pursuit of happiness by free men.

"No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States, nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the law."

Liberty loving as are the American people, they have gone farther by legislation and judicial decision under the provisions of the Constitution to curtail the exercise of unalienable rights, and to bridle individualism than most any modern nation.

Rousseau said "Man is born free and is everywhere in chains."

The end is not yet:

What has brought about this trend of the times? Undoubtedly the outstanding factor has been the abuse of rights and privileges by men in nearly every walk of life. A very substantial percentage of our citizenship construe the word Liberty to mean License and govern themselves accordingly.

Laws out of sympathy with those to be governed, become dead letters from the day of their enactment. They are violated with impunity and held generally in contempt by the people and public officials alike. Better by far that such laws be never passed. Violation of some laws breeds contempt for all.

Most of these employees are engaged in the exercise of our human liberties for us. The remainder of them are engaged in watching the others.

In important particulars, we need to feel the strong hand of parental authority, as when we were little children, but I for one deny that the time has or should ever come in America when a great, super state should treat the American people as mere wards of government.

We all believe that governments are instituted by men, among men and for men. A government should not exist to be served but to serve. Its just powers are derived from the consent of the governed.

Men who can stand before the demagogue and damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;

Morals cannot be legislated into men. It takes more than governmental action to make a conscience and build a character.

I cherish the thought that we will again be known throughout the world as operative Masons.

Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul;

As the swift seasons roll!

Leave thy low vaulted past!

Membership 61,766. Net loss 151.

The Committee on Fraternal Work at Rochester, Minn., the home of the Mayos, thus report:

The representative of Grand Lodge, Brother Warner, continues to find plenty to do in extending fraternal assistance to brother Masons visiting the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, and the wisdom of the Grand Lodge in continuing this great work is highly appreciated by Masons everywhere in the United States and Canada, who have visited the Clinic at Rochester.

\$3,300.00 was subscribed for the fraternal work at Rochester, to be administered by the Committee in charge.

Foreign Correspondence reported on the guiding standards and principles justifying recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges.

William K. Gill of Duluth, was elected Grand Master.

C. W. Haentschel of Haileybury, represents Minnesota.

E. A. Montgomery, P.G.M., presents his eighth Annual Report and the Reviews are full of quotable and thoughtful paragraphs.

Under Alabama we read:

A Masonic Lodge is not a Church, but it should be a strong right arm of it.

If you want a large attendance at your communications you must prepare something for the non-working members

when they come. I believe a lively interest can be aroused by giving the members something to do.

This from the Alberta review:

The Grand Master said the year had been to him a questing one, and for a long time he had had a growing conviction that an honest endeavor should be had to see what they were doing with what they had and whither they were headed.

Canada received most favoured Nation treatment as the following extracts from this encouraging Review will show:

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are always keenly looked for by the writer as they invariably are filled with interesting facts and information, and pearls and nuggets from the minds and brains of our Canadian brethren.

It was a most pleasing address, full of beautiful and inspiring thought, of interesting information, and so understandingly clear.

The Committee on Grand Master's address emphasized every word and admonition of the Grand Master.

Masons on paper—swelling artificial rolls, who seldom attend the duties of their lodge, are after all paper only—and builders of a house of cards. It is quality that counts—yet quality and quantity may co-exist.

The standard set by Canada's District Deputy Grand Masters is indeed high. There is so much of the personal element in their reports and one reading them cannot fail to have a complete picture of the workings of Masonry through the Province.

The Report of the Board on Conditions of Masonry is very good. If nothing else is read in the proceedings, this should be.

He kindly says of our Reviews that they are "complete in all details of worth and interest."

Colorado gives this opportunity:

It is the same mystic tie today. What Masonry was, it is. What Masonry did, it can and should do.

This from the Review of England:

The Board advised the brethren that they would do well to consider the position from the point of view of the Ancient Charges of the Craft and refrain from association with an Order claimed to be ruled by a Grand Lodge.

At the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon the foundation stone of that international undertaking, the Pro Grand Master, performed the ceremony with

Masonic honors. The Board of Governors expressed its grateful thanks to the Grand Lodge for having thus undertaken the ceremony, and so "stressed the universality of the Poet and attached his immortal name with the immemorial dignity of permanent things."

A striking verse from Florida:

And the word of a Master Mason
May the house of our soul create;
While the day hath light, let the light be used,
For no man shall the night control!
Or ever the silver cord be loosed,
Or broken the golden bowl,
May be King Solomon's temple
In the true Masonic soul.

He emphasizes Indiana's pronouncement:

That a lodge could not sponsor a chapter of DeMolay or appoint a DeMolay advisory board.

He also ruled that neither a lodge nor the Order of Eastern Star can be permitted to hold progressive card parties, where prizes were to be given, in lodge rooms.

He speaks of the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ireland at Belfast for the first time in history and of the great work done by the Masonic Orphan Boys' School:

There was in course of erection a Memorial building to commemorate the part taken by so many past boys in the Great War. It will have a spacious gymnasium.

From Quebec we take this paragraph:

When we trace our Order back to its sunrise-hour we find that it has been hewn out of the rock of Holy Scripture.

The Masonic Veterans' Association of Minnesota met for the thirty-eighth time. They have nothing of age but their love of the bright side of life, choosing the sunny paths. They have a fine membership of 824.

When I attend this gathering each year, my brethren, it seems to me I am a youth again; that I have not come to the end of things; that I have not seen the old side of life. I renew my physical, mental and spiritual body.

Which will remind some of you of the old story of Abraham Lincoln, who, when he met a homely man on the street said "Just wait there a moment, just wait until I get my gun." Well, the man said, Why? Lincoln replied, "Well, I swore if I ever saw a man homlier than I am I would shoot him." The man said, "If I am homlier than you are, blaze away."

We would like to hear the history of a lodge that has lived for 50 years. I am going to try to get out a historical serum and have some man inject it in those lodges so they will send up something here that will be of value to us.

Ain't God good to Minnesota!
 Other spots may look as fair,
 But they lack the veteran feeling
 Of the Minnesota air.
 They don't have that snug-up feeling
 Like a mother gives her child;
 They don't sooth your soul and body
 With their breezes soft and mild;
 They don't know the joys of Heaven
 Have their birthplace here below.
 Ain't God good to Minnesota?
 Ain't He, Veterans?
 Ain't He though?

He rowed over and got within two hundred yards of the opposite side of the lake, near his afternoon appointment, and there was quite a number fishing. One boy noticing the old gentleman with the two ladies, yelled out, "Well, old sport what luck?" The old man dropped his oars, and looking over said, "Young man, I am not fishing for fish." Back came the boy's voice, "Well, old scout, what are you fishing for, then?" "Men", he replied. Instantly the boy's voice returned, "Well old sport with that kind of bait in your boat you ought to be very successful."

"They said, "you must live to a good old age here," "Oh yes," he said, "we do; we are remarkably long lived here." And one of the men noticing a Masonic button on the man who sat in the chair on the lawn said, "What may your age be, sir?" "Oh," he said, "I am 75." "75," he said, "you don't look 60." "Why," he said, "that's nothing; my father is in the house. He said: "Your father?" "Yes", he replied, "if you will wait a minute he will be out; he is in there putting grandfather to bed."

Just keep pegging ahead. And that is a pretty good lesson to learn in regard to life—peg ahead.

This veteran view point gives us inspiring ideas of the golden afternoon of life:

MISSISSIPPI

William H. Carter, M.W. Grand Master.

Edward Lee Faucette, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and twelfth Communication was held in Vicksburg, February 11th, 1930. After public exercises with music and addresses, Grand Lodge was opened.

Thomas Q. Ellis represented Canada and Canada is honoured by having such a Grand Representative.

The Grand Master in his opening remarks referring to Past Grand Masters and other Brethren said:

Without them this Grand Lodge would be without its anchor or any steering device. Thank God, we continue to be guided by their experience, directed by their timely advice and counsel and held in check by their brotherly caution.

Come, brethren, let us reason together. If you think a few of us are running things here, I assure you, it is not a closed ring and every one of us will honestly welcome you as an addition to the ring.

Referring to the Conference of Grand Masters we read:

New Organizations Predicating their Membership on Masonry. I was gratified to find that the attitude of practically all Grand Lodges is precisely the same as our own on this subject. Our distinguished speaker alluded to such organizations as side shows.

A lodge having refused to punish a Brother who had been found guilty, the charter was arrested for a second time.

This paragraph under Decisions explains itself:

It came to my attention that an effort was being made in one of our cities to organize a new order similar to the Grotto, requiring membership in a Masonic lodge as a prerequisite to membership in the new order. I immediately investigated and, finding the facts true, I wrote the promoter of the new order that his effort could not be considered favorably by Grand Lodge and if persisted in, it would necessitate the issue of an edict forbidding Mississippi Masons to join the new order; that we would not favor the organization of any new order requiring its applicants to be members of the Masonic Order.

The Grand Commandery donated \$500 for the Meridian Home, of which the Grand Master further speaks as follows:

It is a very rare joy to come in touch with our dear boys and girls and to enjoy their pleasant, happy faces and joyous smiles.

We have in the Columbus Home some as fine boys as the land affords, young gentlemen of the best training.

They have a Masonic Service Department that is constantly in action, of whom the Grand Master says:

This department of our activities is doing more to maintain and conserve interest in Masonry than anything now being done by the Grand Lodge. In the complex life of today when so many organizations and activities demand the attention of Masons, such a work is needed.

Grand Lecturer Williams gives this as the key note of his report:

Masonry exerts its influence principally through the most potent of all moral methods, example, rather than precept.

The objects of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada are clearly set out in the report on the Biennial Session and are as follows:

First: The detection and publication in the warning circulars of unworthy Masons and imposters preying upon the Fraternity.

Second: The co-ordinating and correlating of the various forms of Masonic Relief throughout the United States and Canada.

Third: The promotion of prompt and effective methods of handling cases of inter-jurisdictional relief.

Fourth: To act as the agency in organizing Masonic Relief items of National disaster when such services are requested by any Grand Lodge or group of Grand Lodges.

Fifth: To provide a meeting place for the discussion of all those varied problems of Masonic Relief which in these days are so pressing and bring together those who are active and interested.

The Executive Secretary, Thomas Q. Ellis, Canada's Grand Representative, closes his report on Service as follows:

Harmony is the strength and support of our Institution, but most assuredly Ignorance is its most dangerous enemy—not from the outside, but within the very precincts of the Sanctum Sanctorum—lying in wait even at the Eastern Gate.

Greater than our need of more men in Masonry is our need for more Masonry in men.

William T. Denman was elected Grand Master.

From the Report of the Managers of the two Masonic Homes we make this extract:

A crown of righteousness.

That the best love man can offer, to a God of love
be sure,

Is mercy to God's little ones and kindness to God's poor.

The Committee on Necrology leave this nugget of thought:

Death is not something apart from and hostile to life, but the final stage in the experience of mortality; if we have been walking by faith, making each day a new adventure into the unknown, then death cannot take us by surprise.

Judge F. M. Morson of Toronto, is the honoured Representative of Mississippi.

For the eleventh time the report on Foreign Correspondence is honourably fathered by Henry C. Yawn, P.G.M. From his introduction we take these two sentences:

Some of these things of value and interest I am trying to pass on to my brethren, but of course my effort will be in vain unless they read this report.

The sentiment for trial commissions in place of a Committee on Complaints and Offenses in local lodges, is gaining momentum.

There is an increasing interest in the dissemination of Masonic Education, and in enlarging the scope of Masonic Charity.

From Alberta these words:

As a philosophy of life, I am inclined to believe that optimist and pessimist are distant from truth, but the pessimist is farther away than the optimist.

As we seek to be loyal to other friends, so we seek to be loyal to that nation which is nearest, most akin in racial and moral outlook of all the nations of the world. Most of us on the other side of the line say a hearty Amen to that. And yet the recent Prime Minister of Great Britain, the Hon. Stanley Baldwin, gives voice to what most of us feel. "There is lacking between Europe and America mutual understanding."

Under Arkansas we read a deduction that many of us may have made before:

In common with many other Grand Masters, Brother Bowers complains that nearly all of the appeals for aid come from lodges that charge only a minimum for dues and fees.

Our colleague compliments Canada under British Columbia, saying:

Our brethren of Canada never lose an opportunity of exploiting the natural resources, grandeur and ideal climatic conditions of their country. We admire this tendency. It inspires confidence in outsiders in your advantages.

His favourable review of Canada, in which he devotes himself largely to the address read for M.W. Bro. Martin at Ottawa. He kindly calls our Review excellent and says that nothing of importance seems to have escaped this Reviewer's attention.

An outspoken paragraph from his review of the District of Columbia:

The break originated when the Grand Lodge of New Jersey chartered a negro lodge. It was a half-hearted act, and regretted generally. Volumes have been written on

Negro Masonry, but we have thought the true issue is evaded. It is race prejudice. Why not own up? It is a prejudice observed throughout the Animal Kingdom. "Birds of a feather flock together". Millions of species of fishes, of vertebrates, of insectivora, are careful never to fecundate the ovaries nor spawn of any but its own kind.

Under Saskatchewan it is refreshing to find his appreciation of His Majesty:

In his address the Grand Master thus refers to the recent illness of the King, and the consequent rejoicings of the world over his wonderful recovery:

He only, in a general honest thought,
And common good to all, made one of them,
His life is gentle; and the elements
So mixed up in him that Nature might stand up
And say to all the world, "this is a man"!

The creed or philosophy of life of the late Charles E. Whelan is thus expressed:

Life! What magnificent gift is this with which the Almighty hath endowed me! Gift! Nay, more—a trust to be returned to Him with fruitage for coming generations.

No more is expected of me than can be brought to pass with my eyes, ears, hands, feet, mind and heart. I am measured by no other standard in accomplishment. What joy shall be mine if I fail not.

MISSOURI

Samuel R. Freet, M.W. Grand Master.

Arthur Mather, R.W. Grand Secretary.

In the biography of Grand Master Freet we read these pleasant commendations of a fellow lawyer:

His memory will go down in the annals of Freemasonry in Missouri as one of the most lovable, attractive, level-headed, useful Grand Masters in the long line of distinguished brethren who have gone this way before him.

He has continued in his profession with ever-increasing success, until today he is recognized as among the foremost lawyers practicing in the courts.

Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge 140 children from the Masonic Home rendered a splendid programme. The Missouri Pacific Railroad Company furnished transportation for the Home family to and from Kansas City.

The One Hundred and tenth Communication convened in Kansas City, 30th September, 1930. From the invocation of Grand Chaplain Petty we take the following thoughts

Almighty God, Architect, Builder, Sustainer, Ruler of the Universe, Father of Men, we pray Thy blessing.

Bless Masons here and throughout the World as together, loving each other and serving each other in the line of our obligations, we build the Kingdom of Brotherhood, which shall be Thy Kingdom.

Distinguished visitors from Kansas and Nebraska were welcomed.

Grand Master Andrews of Nebraska, made a vivid speech from which we take the following:

Now, you know that perplexing questions necessarily come to the Grand Master and you appreciate how much the Grand Master appreciates the services of a real Grand Secretary.

One question that came up and which I found it necessary to refer to the Grand Secretary was, "Can you tell a Grand Master?" And Brother Smith very readily said, "Yes, you can tell a Grand Master but you can't tell him much."

Another question that came up and that was, "How does a Mason get down off of an elephant?" Well, Bro. Smith was able to answer that. I couldn't answer it. He says, "You can't get down off of an elephant," he says, "you get it off of a goose or a thistle."

I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day,
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely tell
the way.

The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear,
Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear,
And the best of all the preachers are the men who live
their creeds,

For to see good put in action is what everybody needs.

When I see a deed of kindness I am eager to be kind,
When a weaker brother stumbles, and a strong man
stays behind

Just to see if he can help him, then the wish grows
strong in me

To become as big and thoughtful as I know that friend
to be.

And all travelers can witness that the best of guides
today

Is not the one who tells them, but the one who shows
the way.

The Grand Master's gratitude in being restored to health is thus expressed:

Brethren, I do not know how to account for prayer. I cannot reason it out logically, but somehow a miracle has happened and that is the only way that I can account for it.

In his address he said:

If there ever existed any spirit of sectionalism, it has long since disappeared, and the lodges of the city and the country are anxious to co-operate for the best interests of the Order.

He distinguishes as some few other Grand Masters do, between the grief that apparently is occasioned by the death of a Grand Officer and the death of an ordinary member. It reminds us of the description of a wreck, as a result of which "three souls were lost and ten sailors."

He commends the great work which the members of the Board are giving to the Home.

He disapproves of commercializing Masonry:

During the past year it has been called to my attention that certain business organizations, particularly insurance companies and cemetery associations, claim to limit their custom, clientele, or membership to members of the Masonic fraternity.

From his decisions we take some that may be of general interest:

When the Senior Warden was suspended for non-payment of dues, his office became vacant, and the lodge could then elect another as Senior Warden. In the event that the suspended Senior Warden should pay his dues and be reinstated, he is not thereby reinstated in office as Senior Warden.

Can a dimit be granted to one who stands suspended for non-payment of dues?

Answer: No.

Should a lodge or group of lodges establish a Masonic hour upon a radio broadcasting station?

Answer: No. This would seem to be in the nature of an advertisement of Freemasonry, which is not desirable.

The dedication of the main lodge hall constituted a dedication of the entire building for Masonic purposes.

He sent out an edict of admonition against advertising matter as to qualification of candidates displayed at Masonic picnics etc. in the following vigorous terms:

Advertising matter presenting the qualifications of candidates for office has been prominently displayed at Masonic picnics and other gatherings. In some instances lodges have accepted money for placing banners or placards advertising such candidacies.

I request you to see that this sort of thing is not allowed to occur in your lodge. In the event that there is a persistent violation, then you should cause the matter to be presented to your Grievance Committee for action.

Membership 113,171. Net loss 620. This makes one pause and think.

The Committee on Charity report:

We recommend that an appropriation be made by Grand Lodge which will reasonably meet the demands. Had the worthy cases presented to us during the year been given the assistance the facts called for, approximately \$7,500.00 would have been required.

From the report of the Committee on Necrology we take this thought:

What is the most wonderful thing in the world?

It is not the rarest pearl of wisdom, it is not the most marvelous achievement of science; it is not the aeroplane, not the radio. The most mysterious, the most wonderful thing in the world is Life—Life, whose mystery is outside the confines of knowledge and beyond the reaches of science.

The Committee on the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges headed by Ray V. Denslow as Chairman, reported at length and these paragraphs of their report are instructive:

Pamphlets issued by brethren in other Grand Lodges of that jurisdiction intimate that there has been a schism in Brazilian Masonry and that their whole system has been torn asunder.

Your committee feel that the present policy of non-recognition should be continued. It is unfortunate that our brethren in the Latin countries cannot carry on their duties without friction, for it would be a pleasure for us to recognize legitimate bodies of the Rite in those jurisdictions. but until such a time as this is possible, we recommend that the Grand Lodge of Missouri continue with its present policy.

Another additional feature which your committee finds in the Constitution of this Grand Lodge is article 4, the said article being a treaty with the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite wherein expulsion from that Rite prevented admission to lodges of the symbolic Rite, evidently without an opportunity to be heard in their own lodge. Under these conditions, and with this knowledge, your committee do not feel that this Grand Lodge should be recognized at this time, and so recommended.

Your committee received from an organization known as the "Allgemeine Freimaurer-Liga" considerable material relative to an Annual Congress of that organization which was to convene at Geneva, Switzerland. This league, of which Brother Eugene Lennhoff is managing director, appears to be an association of individual "regular" Masons and not a league of Grand Lodges.

William R. Gentry, was elected Grand Master.

It is not often that we get poetry in a statistical report but the Committee on chartered lodges of Missouri form an exception and close with an invocation to the Grand Secretary worded as follows in their best manner:

To be right, or not to be right—that is the question,
Whether 'tis nobler in a Secretary to suffer
The slings and arrows of outrageous criticism,
Or to take arms against a sea of errors,
And by correcting end them? To correct,
No more; and by correcting to say we end
The heart-ache and the thousand natural shocks
The Grand Secretary is heir to—'tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wished.

To correct—to work! Ay, there's the rub;
For it does take work to keep lodge records straight,
There's the respect that makes error of so long life;
For who would suffer the whips, the jibes,
The spurns of the Grand Secretary,
When he himself might their quietus make
With a good typewriter? Who would bear
The scornful remarks of the Committee on Chartered
Lodges,

But that the dread of further work makes us
Rather keep those mistakes we have
Than fly to others we know not of?
But conscience may make Heroes of us all,
And thus the native hue of resolution
Be strengthened by hard work and thought,
And the goal of the Grand Secretary,
A perfect return from every lodge,
Be at last attained. Soft you now!
The Grand Secretary. Right Worshipful Sir,
May all thine errors be forgotten.

The Appeals and Grievances Committee do right in protecting the accused as well as guarding the lodge. In one case they speak out definitely as follows:

The specification in the charge is insufficient to charge a Masonic offense; the evidence disproves entirely the specification in the charge; and even if the specification is construed as charging expressly that the accused was a party to the bank robbery, there is no competent evidence to support such a charge.

Missouri has fathered a campaign through a Committee on the Fatherless children of France, which is still doing good work.

The Fraternal Correspondent of Missouri is the happy recipient annually of a generous allowance of \$750. He earns it.

On the presentation of Grand Master's and Past Grand Master's jewels, M.W. Bro. Gentry said:

I take the greatest pleasure in presenting this jewel to our retiring Grand Master, knowing that in every grain of the gold, that in every stroke made by the engraver in the process of engraving and in every emblem there represented there is imperishably linked the love and affection of the 113,000 odd Masons who compose the fraternity in this state.

Corona H. Briggs presents his third annual Correspondence report, the value of which can be gauged from this brief extract from his introduction:

The increase in membership in the United States has been small, because so many have been suspended for non-payment of dues. Yet more than a hundred thousand men of lawful age and bearing the tongue of good report have been raised in a year's time to the sublime degree of Master Mason in these United States. There never was a time in American history when our institution entered more largely into the life of this nation or exerted greater influence for good than today. And there never was a time when its work was more needed to stand against demoralizing influences at work in modern society.

In the review of Alabama we read:

By all that we are and revere, by the ties that bind us to earth, by our hope of heaven, live and act that our Masonic lives may be an open book known and read of all men.

Alberta caught his attention at once and we read:

Common sense ought to teach every Freemason that we stand for honesty, not for raffles, lotteries, games of chance of every kind, including cards.

We agree with what this distinguished prelate says about the use of symbols by Freemasonry, but if he and H. G. Wells think that man learned to speak only through long evolutionary processes we must dissent.

An Ancient Book that the writer was told to take as the rule and guide of his faith and practice when he was initiated in a Masonic Lodge a half century ago tells us that God created man in his own image and talked with man revealing to him his will. Language was God's gift from the beginning. We have no evidence that there was ever a time when man had not the gift of language or was without the knowledge of the one true God. It was not the mission of the Hebrew people to give Monotheism to the world, but to preserve a faith which was being corrupted all around them. Abraham's kindred were sharers of his faith and in his sojournings he met a Pharaoh who

owned God, a King of Gerar Abimelech, who feared God and Melchisedec, King of Salem and Priest of the Most High God.

But as we follow the stream of history we find this faith is disappearing. In Moses' time we find a Pharaoh who not only knew not Joseph, but knew not Jehovah, there is trace of a King like Abimelech who feared God, and Melchisedec has no successor.

Theories of evolution break down when you deal with religion. Every great religion in the world's history is loftier intellectually and nobler morally in its earlier years than in its later stages.

Canada at Ottawa is briefly but pleasantly reviewed. He enumerates our many distinguished visitors, he analyzes the report of the Grand Master. He says that evidently our D.D.G.M's are busy men. He gives our financial statistics and is kind enough under the heading of our review to say:

He gives a fine review of our Proceedings.

He gives two pages to our first report as Correspondent and regrets that Canada was not included. (That was because Canada's Proceedings did not reach us). In a pointed, yet fraternal way, he refers to various comments this scribe made upon certain doings in other Grand Jurisdictions. Evidently he has decided opinions of his own, yet as far as we can judge, they are not lightly formed. We think Canadian and Missouri Freemasonry are very much alike, and we shall await with interest his next report.

Of extraneous but adhesive Organizations he reports under Florida:

After expressing his opinion in words that are plain the Grand Master quotes an Edict which hangs a sentence of expulsion over any brother joining such organizations as shall not have the approval of the Grand Lodge.

Of sin in human life and Masonry we read his belief:

The profoundest problem of human life is the problem of sin. With that Freemasonry does not deal directly. It leaves it where it belongs with the Church of God. It teaches a pure morality because it is drawn from the Bible. The Jew and the Christian meet on an equal footing in the lodge, but peace and harmony prevail because in the lodge they, and members of different Churches, let alone the deeper problems concerning which they may differ.

From his review of Georgia:

Aid the dawning, tongue or pen,
Aid it hopes of honest men,
Aid it paper, aid it type,
Aid it for the hour is ripe,

And our earnest must not slacken into play,
Men of thought and men of action, clear the way!
Under Minnesota these thoughtful words:

The automobile which is here to stay, is becoming the handmaid of every form of vice and crime and is increasing the perplexities of modern life. Robinson Crusoe when alone, could say:

"I am monarch of all I survey. My right there is none to dispute."

But when his man Friday became a denizen of that isle, Robinson Crusoe's rights were limited by the rights of another. If a man insists on his right to do as he pleases, let him find a universe of his own away from God and man and then work out his own sweet will.

The report of the Masonic Home, prefaced by a picture of it in all its noble proportions, covers many pages.

Donald Sutherland represents Missouri, and William S. Campbell represents Canada.

MONTANA

Daniel J. Muri, M.W. Grand Master.

Luther T. Hauberg, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Grand Master is thus introduced to us in his biography:

Daniel J. Muri came from the Land of the Midnight Sun, of a race which produced the most adventurous and intrepid world navigators; of a people whom we love to picture as descendants of the Vikings, those sturdy seakings who roamed the seven seas in search of adventure and exploration and of achievements.

Our brother was born at Olden, near Bergen, Norway.

Special Communications were held before the annual, one to lay the cornerstone of the Bilings Polytechnic Institute.

The Sixty-sixth Communication "began to be held" at the Liberty Theatre, Missoula, August 20th, 1930.

The Mayor welcomed Grand Lodge in a unique manner and we learn:

My father was a clergyman, a Methodist: he preached until the babies became so numerous that he couldn't take care of them that way and then he got other work.

From the reply of the Deputy Grand Master this:

As we meet here in this beauty spot, fringed about with mountains on every side, we cannot but think of the words of Plenty Coos, chief of the Crows, when he said, "Of all the works of creation the mountains only have

been unmolested by the white man. Our valleys have been scarred by the trail makers; they have been furrowed by the plowman, and they have been scuttled by the diggers of water; but the mountains still remain to us as God made them; and so," he said, "they are to us as the paths of peace."

It is in these mountains that we meet here today.

The Grand Master thus introduced his address:

While Masonry is universal in its scope, with most of us the horizon of our personal contact with the membership is very limited and yet, after all, it is the pleasure of grasping by the hand those whom we know.

I greet those who are in the hey-day of their youth and are eagerly scanning the pathway of life for the goal of attainment and success.

He visited sixty-six lodges. He commended the Educational programme and urged that the annual grant of \$2,500 may go on.

The larger charities of Masonry are now in the hands of the Grand Lodges; wonderful Homes dot the horizon and the landscapes of almost all of our commonwealths.

Apropos of new Temples and plural membership and other matters which affect the finances he says:

It does not work like in England, where not only dual but plural memberships are permitted, and men belong to many lodges at the same time; lodge affiliations in the British Isles are not as strenuous as in our land.

We are splitting up our Masonry into these other organizations.

Those opposed to the DeMolay argued that unless a definite stand is taken, the order is going to become fastened onto the Masonic fraternity as a recognized part of Masonry.

Of the Washington Memorial he speaks with rare common sense:

The sentiment that inspired the idea of the monument allowed the heart to govern common sense and while it is to be a most beautiful Masonic Monument to our illustrious Brother Washington, a more useful memorial could have been planned for the five millions of dollars, which would have been a practical benefit to our and coming generations, in place of a structure which will involve continual expenditures of money without adequate returns except sentimental journeys of inspection of relics and beautiful architecture as against a practical program which would have carried the sentiment with the added human benefits.

Please do not misunderstand me, brothers; I am as full of sentiment in the matter as anyone, but I believe that better results could have been accomplished if a little com-

mon sense was added as an ingredient in the plan of the monument.

Thus he commends the Home:

Make the Home (as near as humanly possible) a place of quietness, comfort and convenience for all of our guests, with an atmosphere of friendliness that helps to dispel or mitigate the sources of loneliness, sorrow and suffering, disappointment and gloom.

1,000 people, outside the Craft, visited the Home during the past year from the United States and Canada.

Of chain letters he shares our opinion:

These letters are, to say the least, a nuisance, annoying as well as disgusting, and serve no good purpose.

Masons should disregard them and not bother their friends with them.

He says what most Grand Masters can say of their Grand Secretaries:

Big-hearted, capable and most efficient Grand Secretary Luther T. Hauberg. I leaned upon him (symbolically, of course) daily in the discharge of the duties of the honor which was mine; he was ever ready to give his time and talents to all my requests.

Membership 20,915. Net gain 10, near the margin but on the right side.

Bishop Fox, Grand Chaplain, who was heard last year in Canada, delivered an excellent address from which we make the following extract:

The Middle Chamber, the Climax of the Fellowcraft degree, represents the Middle of Life. It is the period that succeeds the age of visions. It is that upon which the youth enters when he has trod the steps, the grades of life, and has graduated from school to plunge into the business, the realities of life.

Youth is the age of visions. Then he hears voices. He treads the path of life lightly. But we who have passed up and into the Middle Chamber know that there are awaiting him the hard and grim realities of life.

But he beholds the light, and whence it flows—

He sees it in his joy.

The youth who daily farther from the east

Must travel, still is Nature's Priest,

And by the vision splendid

Is on his way attended:

At length the man perceives it die away,

And fade into the light of common day.

His passing into the Middle Chamber may result in turning life into drudgery. He sees only the task. His eyes are on the clock. He does what he is paid to do.

But the youth may enter into the Middle Chamber of Life with his visions uppermost. They may stay with him, he may see wonderful things, but his head is always in the clouds. His feet never touch the earth. The heaven of childhood still lies all about him.

And here I come to the third result of entering the Middle Chamber of Life, to ennoble the common task, the job that in itself may reduce one to a drudge, into achievement; to be able to see beyond the monotony of the thing we do day by day, the glorious vision of a thing that challenges the best that is in us. Such a man will never find life becoming drab and uninteresting. It is a great adventure. The clock and the wages then become the secondary things in life. Accomplishment is the main thing that stirs us to action.

Grow old along with me,
The best is yet to be,
The last of life, for which the first was made.
Our times are in his hand
Who said, a whole I planned;
Youth shows but half; trust God; see all, nor be afraid.
The Middle Chamber is our laboratory. There we are working.

The Report of the Grand Historian accompanied by pictures of three ancient Grand Masters, covers thirty pages of small type, a monument to M.W. Bro. H. S. Hepner's industry and a priceless asset to the Craft. He quotes from a poem by Rob Morris, Poet Laureate of Masonry, dated 1887:

Thus, oh ye builders of the present time,
Thus the Grand Architect directs your hand!
To lift your banners unto heaven sublime,
To plant your lodges deep within the land;
And from them all to breathe the air of love,
That spirit emanating from above.

Oh, may Freemasonry, firm-rooted here,
Stand while these mountains give your land its name,
Oh, may you have that skill profound, sincere,
To draw from Masonry each priceless gem!

Grand Master Starke of North Dakota said:

Long before I knew anything about Masonry the square was recognized as a symbol of the earth and the triangle of the heavens or the spiritual things of life; and that symbolism has been adopted by the Masonic Order ever since the beginning of its history, and it has a certain significance to us that it hasn't to other people. The apron is the square and the triangle.

M.W. Bro. Miller of the same State, spoke thus:

We all know that the farmer doesn't put on the extra horses when the ground is nice and mellow and the furrow turns easily, but it is when the ground is hard and dry and he needs that power to do a better job of plowing. The merchant puts forth his efforts to secure business when business is poor. And I believe that in our Masonic work we should put forth the most effort when times are not the most propitious.

The address of the day was given by M.W. Bro. Middleton, P.G.M., of Alberta. We cannot resist quoting at length:

In the evening we shall have an American Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Fox of Montana. He will preach a doctrinal sermon about Sin, and what he doesn't know about sin is not worth knowing. (Laughter).

I regret, however the Bishop was unable to stay and preach that sinful sermon, but he remained long enough to give a splendid address and an inspirational talk. We always have a banquet the first night of Grand Lodge which all the members attend. The Bishop was one of three to respond to the toast "America" The first speaker in his remarks said:

"America the land of the free, bounded on the north by the Great Lakes, on the south by the Gulf of Mexico on the east by the Atlantic and on the west by the Pacific".

This was thought too conservative by the next speaker and he put it this way:

"Brothers, I give you America, the great Republic to the south, bounded on the north by the north pole, on the south by the south pole, on the east by the rising sun and on the west by the setting sun."

As the Canadian environment went down, American patriotism went, up and it finally culminated in the Bishop giving rise to this sentiment:

"Brethren, I am proud to hail from the land of the free. It is bounded on the north by the Aurora Borealis, on the south by the procession of the equinoxes, on the east by primordial chaos, and on the west by the last great day of judgment." (Laughter).

Explain the fascinating origin of the cable tow and why the Junior Warden rules the lodge during the hour of refreshment; the system which is now veiled in allegory and meaningless to so many of our members, would then sound a clarion call and stimulate greater interest at our monthly meetings.

Let us pass hurriedly to the philosophic aspect of Masonry, under which are incorporated the various ideals. But I would not speak about ideals unless I was prepared to bring them to a practical issue. Scott, Master Mason, said, you remember: "Ours is no sapling, chance sown by a foun-

tain, blooming at Beltane, in winter to fade" and Carlyle, the philosopher, what did he say (his father was a stone mason) "Let me write my books as my father built his houses." But Shakespeare, that great Englishman and Mason (note the many quotations in your ritual from this eminent poet), crowned them all when he wrote: "The purest treasure mortal times afford is spotless reputation."

How is that treasure to be won? It comes by living with honor.

Canada's Grand Representative did not answer Roll Call.

Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Repeated requests having been made, M.W. Bro. Middleton of Alberta, delivered a second address from which we quote:

The more I study Masonry, the more I become satisfied that it is not in competition with any service club whatsoever. Service clubs were organized, due to the peculiar exigencies created during the formative period of commercial enterprise. They have their place and wield a tremendous influence for good.

And as I look out upon the great Tree of Masonry today, which is symbolized as the "Giant of all Societies," a certain aroma of distinction, privilege and prestige has been developed which unconsciously has drawn and attracted—I use the term advisedly—parasitic bodies in every conceivable shape to its parent trunk, and unless we are prepared to guard well our Landmarks and strike off these barnacles, its powers of resistance will gradually weaken, and recuperation, other than a medley of forces, will be futile.

Here were men
Co-equal with their fate,
Who did great things
Unconscious they were great.

Do you remember the ancient Athenian oath? When the boy had attained maturity and was entering upon his duties of citizenship in the ancient city of Athens he subscribed to this oath:

"I will not disgrace these arms it carries on its field. I will not desert the faltering comrade who is placed by my side, nor those who cared for me in childhood. I will fight for things sacred, things beautiful, things holy. I will hand on my city greater and better than I found it. I will hearken to the magistrates and existing laws and those established by the people. I will honor the Temples of Religion. So help me THOU the MOST HIGH."

Would that every Mason here today endorse these sentiments and hand on the glorious precepts you so rightly inherit. Time is passing and I must quickly draw to a close.

The need, the great need amongst Masons today was given by Bickersteth when he wrote:

Give us men
Strong and stalwart ones.
Men who trample self beneath them
Only let their country wreath them,
As her worthy sons
Worthy of their sires;
Men who never shame their mothers.
Men who never fail their brothers,
True however false are others,
Give us men, I say again,
Give us men.

And may our prayer be that of the Greek sailor, which has been handed down to us by Seneca, when he said:

"O God, you may break me if you will, you may save me if you will, you may make me if you will, but whatever happens, I will always keep my rudder true." (Applause, the members rising.)

What an asset Alberta—the world—has in this wonderful man.

We quote under the reception of veteran Masons:

There's a warmth in the clasp of a Veteran's hand
Which the world can never feel;
And a depth in the tone of a Veteran's voice
Which his words do not reveal.
There's a friendly gleam in a Veteran's eye
And a cheer in his pleasant smile
Which enlivens the heart and makes one feel
That the old world is worth while.

J. Bernie Smith of London, represents Montana, and George P. Porter represents Canada.

The Foreign Correspondence is presented for the twenty-second time by M.W. Bro. H. S. Hepner and that is a guarantee of its excellence and good will.

Under his review of Alabama we read:

The glory of that idealism seems to have departed from us. Human selfishness is rampant. Habits of industry and thrift have broken down. A passionate pursuit of pleasure and uncontrolled self-indulgence has become epidemic. We strive for gold and forget God.

From a long and able review of California we make this extract:

The Grand Masters' Conference, which is held annually at Washington, does serve a useful purpose by bringing to the attention of the various Grand Lodges certain conditions as might be made uniform, without infringing upon Grand Lodge sovereignty.

Under our own Jurisdiction of Canada he says:

He thinks that time is ripe to do something definite and constructive in the way of Masonic education.

Freedom means "ordered freedom," and liberty means law, and citizenship means duty as well as privilege and obligations as well as right, and it all means the willingness "to play the game".

Adopt the words of Mr. Winston Churchill, Lenin, the Great Repudiator, repudiated God and King and country and morals and contracts and the whole structure of human society, and last of all himself, and died mumbling with ceaseless iteration prayers to the God whom he thought to depose.

The Condition of Masonry had a very interesting report.

Two hundred sixty-eight pages comprise the Correspondence Report of Bro. Ponton, and each page and line are well worthy of perusal.

The Reviews are full of bits of wisdom by way of comments; his grasp is firm on all Masonic lore; when we started reading the various reviews written by him, we marked parts here and there to quote and lo! when we got to the last part we found that it would take several pages to cover these and so decided to keep our copy intact to refer to another time. We wish that Bro. Ponton would write a "Foreword" or "Afterword" to his reviews so that we could "swipe" a grand larceny chunk of his wise sayings. All he writes seems to strike a responsive chord in our heart and mind, and we feel near him and look forward to some blessed day when we meet him in person.

This striking phrase under Colorado:

From this ship the Masons have jettisoned ignorance, intolerance, superstition and oppression.

Just a short extract from the review of British Columbia:

Whenever this Grand Lodge should become actively interested in any movement it would assume Masonic leadership and control and would not permit itself to be subordinated to any other Masonic or allied body.

Always something good under Georgia:

He recites marvelous performances of his lodge, such as sponsoring of each child at the Home by a particular lodge, creation of the "Dollar-a-Year-Man Club" consisting of members voluntarily contributing each a dollar a year for the advancement of the Home; furnishing a thousand books for the Home library, the "vacation plan" by which children of the Home can be assigned to visit in Masons' Homes and making it possible for little children who have no home to go, and have found a little happiness and benefit thereby; these and many other labors of love were the re-

sult of the year's achievements; lodges and members seemed to have vied with each other in thinking out good things to be done by the fraternity.

Of the danger line of co-Masonry we read under New Zealand:

Cling fast to the old landmarks and strongly oppose any infringements of them. I have heard lately with a great deal of pain and surprise of instances where the legitimate mark has been exceeded, and what I can only call decided encouragement given to co-Masonry.

This from North Dakota:

Be Careful When you Judge.
Pray don't find fault with the man who limps,
Or stumbles along the road,
Unless you have worn the shoes he wears
Or struggled beneath his load.

The whole of Joseph Fort Newton's sermon in Philadelphia is quoted under that Jurisdiction and is worthy of the heart and mind of that asset of Masonry.

His postlude takes the form of the "End of the Journey" and we make these final selections from his words of wisdom:

Our twenty second annual pilgrimage to the Masonic realms of the world has ended.

Dual memberships seem to gain favorable consideration and action.

Orders basing membership on Masonic connections are causing a great deal of anxiety by reason of the diverting of the interest of the membership from the main structure of our Institution, and devoting energies which should be applied to the strengthening the foundations and walls of the symbolic buildings forming the Temple of Masonry.

Our Order is the evolution of untold years of the surgings of the human heart to find fit expression of human Brotherhood without limitations of race or creed.

It has withstood the assault of Church and man.

Fortitude and Charity, Relief and Brotherly Love, Liberty and Equality, cannot be eradicated from the escutcheon emblazoned on Masonry's shield.

Whatever problems may confront her, she will eventually solve by the rule of Love and go on, and on, in her glorious mission of giving each human being a place in the sun of God's love.

NEBRASKA

Ira C. Freet, M.W. Grand Master.

Lewis E. Smith, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Seventy-third Communication was held in Omaha, June 3rd, 1930.

We make this extract from the Grand Chaplain's invocation:

Deepen in our hearts a love of the truth; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness.

Bless us in our present Assembly, give us true fellowship issuing from the roots of the heart, unselfish motives, lofty ideals, faith in our souls, and willing service; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in Thee we may glorify Thy Holy Name.

Twelve Past Grand Masters were welcomed and honoured at the altar, and the G. M. said to them that these elder brethren had put Masonry to the fore front of their lives and have taken hold with a will to work.

A beautiful solo "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung.

We take the following from the address of welcome to Grand Lodge, which incidentally shows how the Craft thrives in Omaha;

In behalf of the eight thousand Master Masons belonging to the eleven lodges of Ancient Craft Masonry situated in greater Omaha, I extend to you and to each of you a very hearty welcome.

These various elements of society are moulded together by our great fraternity into one indissoluble band of friends and brothers which forms the strongest bulwark against bigotry, oppression, and intolerance, and furnishes the safest guaranty against moral decay or political usurpation which today exists.

In this period of unrest, uncertainty and doubt, Masonry is proving a great stabilizer.

Every mason in the quarry,
Every builder on the shore,
Every chopper in the forest,
Every raftsmen at the oar,
Hewing wood and drawing water,
Splitting stones and cleaving sod,
All the dusty ranks of labor,
In the regiment of God,
March together toward His triumph,
Do the task His hands prepare:
Honest toil is holy service;
Faithful work is praise and prayer.

He made touching reference to the Dead:

All these were honored in their generations
And were the glory of their times,
Yea, they were men of mercy,
Whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten,
Their bodies have been buried in peace,
But their name liveth for evermore.

No less than twelve cornerstones were laid.

He made many visitations and on the social side quoted "we're glad we touched shoulders with you."

S. S. Clutton, a veteran of Vienna, Ontario, was appointed Grand Representative.

A bequest to the Home for Children at Fremont of \$25,000 was gratefully acknowledged. Homes always tap artesian wells.

The Nebraska Masonic Home also received additions.

Among his decisions is the following:

In connection with the laying of one corner-stone the question was asked of the Grand Master, "Will the Grand Lodge lay a cornerstone without the Grand Lodge inscription?" I answered "No."

Membership 42,150. Net gain 172.

Grand Lodge in a body, with 150 motors, visited the Masonic Home where a luncheon was served and a picnic dinner in the evening.

The children of the Home at Fremont visited Grand Lodge and gave an interesting programme.

Grand Orator Turner delivered an oration on the Three Fold Ministry of Masonry, from which we take the following illuminating extracts:

In these days and in this land a Mason is not, because of that fact, more learned than his fellow countrymen, but I am maintaining that the sturdy ministry, ever exemplified in the history of the Craft, of love for knowledge, perhaps now, more than ever, needs emphasis.

Are we ardent disciples of wisdom? Are we intellectually alert to the vast and heaving movements of this hour?

Truth is a thing not lightly gained nor easily held.

A pernicious habit is in men to become casual observers. A Mason ought not so to mark himself. Rather is he to be distinguished by his mental alertness, his intelligent grasp of some things in particular, and all things in general. Of course the sphere of man's wisdom has so marvelously enlarged in the last three centuries that no man can actually grasp anything but a fragment of the whole, but Mark Hopkins' saying still applies that the educated man is evidenced by the fact that if you tap him anywhere, he runs.

A Mason will distinguish himself by his passion for knowledge—knowledge of power, competent, purposeful, zestful, progressive, alert, patient.

A second ministry that comes to us in the experience of the Craft is that of its insistence on aesthetic culture.

All about us are men and women and experiences that beautify and adorn life. Music floods our homes with its entrancing melodies. One is not compelled to listen always to jerky rasping jazz. From the channels of the air come the great symphonies of Beethoven; the exquisite strains of the "Unfinished Symphony" of Schubert; the brilliant Hungarian Dances of Brahms; the haunting harmony of Grieg's "Peer Gynt Suite"; the memorable adoration music of Handel, and the countless others. Music speaks above language of words a message to the soul. Do we keep in tune to its best?

Literature, the drama, all creations in the field of art contribute to the culture, the adornment of life.

The third great ministry of Masonry is its insistence upon the development of character.

Let a Mason mark that well in the searching ministry of the Brotherhood. The designs are on the trestle board. The working tools are in your hands. The work is here. The searching word of the Grand Master of the Universe is WHAT DO YOU HERE?

The Committee on the Promotion of the World's Peace reported:

The best guaranty of the peace of the world lies in the continuous friendly relations of these two branches of the English speaking race.

The first time in the history of the world has Great Britain agreed to divide the sovereignty of the seas with another nation. For hundreds of years the British have truthfully sung Britannia Rule the Waves. She has now agreed that joining in the chorus shall also be Columbia, and they will jointly sing Columbia and Britannia Rule the Waves.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Nebraska Veteran Freemasons' Association held in Omaha, Wor. Bro. Webster delivered a very striking address which we wish we could reproduce in full. It is full of searching analysis. The brethren who read this may be able to piece together the spirit of it from the following few sentences:

Job 23:3—"Oh that I knew where I might find Him" is the cry in the oldest book of the Bible.

When the Lord appeared unto Moses in the wilderness and gave him a divine commission to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt, Moses replied:

Ex. 3:13 When they ask, "What is his name? What shall I say unto them?" The Lord answered: "I am that I am."

Plutarch tells us that, on a temple of Isis in Egypt, was found this inscription: "I am all that has been, that is, or shall be, and no mortal hath ever unveiled me."

Truth, is so important that it lies at the very foundation of the Masonic edifice. It is "the very marrow of Masonry."

The ineffable name of God includes not only the WORD, but the very being of God himself, and the manifestation of that being to humanity.

We all remember the sad story of Hiram Abiff and how THE WORD was lost. To find it is the ultimate goal of Masonry.

Recall that this WORD is a secret and never uttered aloud. Elijah, on the "Mount of God," when there came "a whirlwind which rent the mountains," an "earthquake and fire"—terrific forces of nature—but the Lord was in none of these things. Then came "a still, small voice"—the Spirit of God speaking to the spirit of Elijah. Have you never heard the soundless voice of God, speaking to your soul in the silent watches of the night? Elijah heard and answered.

When on my day of life the night is falling,
And, in the winds from unsunned spaces blown,
I hear far voices out of Darkness calling
My feet to paths unknown.

Some humble door among Thy many mansions,
Some sheltering shade where sin and striving cease,
And flows forever through heaven's green expansions
The river of Thy peace.

There, from the music round about me stealing,
I fain would learn the new and holy song,
And find at last, beneath Thy trees of healing,
The life for which I long.

Orville A. Andrews was elected Grand Master.

A ladies' quartette had often accompanied the Grand Master on his visitations and came in for high praise.

Canada is represented by John R. Webster of Omaha.

The Review of Edwin D. Crites is an able summary of current events in topical form.

In his introduction he says:

The annual report on correspondence is herewith fraternally submitted. We have changed the form of the Report to the topical, as an experiment, confessing that we had considerable difficulty in determining what to omit.

The writer feels that the privilege of dual membership will be extended from year to year, and that the only real objection to it seems to be the apprehended resultant difficulty in keeping accurate membership statistics.

We notice the comment on the request of the Imperial Potentate of the Mystic Shrine addressed to the Grand Master, simply stating that it is certainly an unusual request.

Under Florida we read:

Parasite organizations have organized in various parts of the State without taking the matter up with the Grand Lodge. One such parasite organization wrote a letter to our Grand Secretary requesting that he give them a list of names of prominent Masons who might be induced to assist in establishing their organization in Florida, suggesting to our Grand Secretary that such compliance with their request might prove very remunerative in the future.

In numerous instances I have found that members in these other organizations have no sense of loyalty to the Masonic fraternity.

NEVADA

Andrew L. Haight, M.W. Grand Master.

Frank D. King, W.M. David, V. M. Henderson, successive Grand Secretaries.

Grand Lodge conducted the funeral services of the late Grand Secretary, Frank D. King, on April 23rd, 1930.

The Sixty-sixth Communication was held at Reno, 12th June, 1930. Thirteen Past Grand Masters added their experience and council to the enthusiasm of the younger members of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master characterized his year as one of noteworthy calm and serenity.

His official visitations were many and he was obliged to decline others simply from lack of the calendar giving him opportunity.

The State of the Craft was eminently satisfactory as he says:

While waiting for a brighter day, everywhere there is a dignified sense of responsibility and a full appreciation of the trust on the part not only of the officers but of the rank and file.

He speaks of the great distances travelled by loyal brethren in order to be present at the various receptions of the Grand Master throughout the State.

V.W. Bro. David appointed Grand Secretary after the death of Grand Secretary King, says in his report what we can well understand:

It is a somewhat difficult task to pick up broken threads and weave out of them the story of a year's accomplishment for you.

Membership 3,059. Net gain 38.

Grand Historian Williamson gives an interesting article on "Mormons and Masonry in Nevada". Space only permits a few extracts from this revelation of the past, which still continues in some phases in the present:

There is no denying that most of the Mormons who came West from Nauvoo in 1847 had been made Masons in what were at the time regularly constituted lodges.

The lodges involved paid not the slightest attention to Grand Lodge orders, but continued to work as before, refusing to surrender their books and papers.

Brigham Young's clashes with the federal authorities lasted for months and were notorious throughout the United States.

Disclosures of what occurred in the endowment house at Salt Lake City incensed Masons, who felt that the mysteries of Masonry were being profaned. For instance, in one of the grips of the so-called Melchizedek priesthood in the Mormon church, the colloquy is startling.

The committee to which the grand master's address was referred reported fully concurring in his views and adding: "The man who is not true to his government and faithful to the laws of his country is unworthy the name of Mason and should not be admitted into the great Masonic family."

Grand Orator Aymar delivered an interesting address, in the course of which he spoke thus:

"A man builds and grows as he thinks". If his thoughts are ennobling, and if inspired with courage to translate them into action, he will erect his Spiritual, Moral and Masonic edifice, symbolized by our working tools.

A man never brought into contact with others would probably run one and the same dull round of thought to the end of his days; to become capable of original thought we must make contacts with other minds, in order to stir up our own;

A young member of DeMolay delivered to Grand Lodge an address on its spirit, entirely laudatory of course. Among other things he said, with a maturity of judgment which indicated a more careful preparation than youth generally accords—or was it dictated?

DeMolay founded on Masonry, and patterned to a large extent after its great teachings, is an order for boys, and every past and present DeMolay owes a debt of gratitude

to the Masonic order, for, without Masonic interest, our order should never have come into existence.

In that part of the process which comes under ritualistic work, we teach first of all the sacredness of trust and the value of the pledged word. Then we expound the lesson of filial love and devotion—the spirit of sonship, the value of the home, and what it can be made to mean in a life worthwhile.

The third lesson teaches cleanliness of the mind and body. Here the growing boy is aided in crossing the pitfalls of immorality and degradation.

William R. Adams was elected Grand Master, V. M. Henderson Grand Secretary.

Canada's Grand Representative is V. C. Kester and W. R. Ledger represents Nevada with us.

Before he passed away, Frank D. King, Grand Commissioner of Review, completed his work.

His introduction is admonitory and both lodges and individual members should indulge in a little introspection to see whether any of his warnings are applicable to themselves. We take these frank expressions of opinion from his Foreword.

You are expected to apply yourself to the work of the Craft of Freemasonry as far as the "length of your Cable-tow" or "the first square or angle of your work", meaning by these statements, to the limit of your obligated ability.

The machinery of Freemasonry has given many an office-seeking brother the opportunity of gratifying his ambitions. It will be here that your first awakening will come.

You may approach some of these brethren asking for information upon Masonic subjects that are forcing themselves upon your attention. Do not be at all surprised if you should be met with an evasive answer, and if you press your inquiry, you will get a first class exhibition of side-stepping and you will find yourself in too many instances, stalled, floated, bluffed and disappointed. You are asking for bread and you will receive a stone. Do not allow this disappointing experience to discourage you, you have only gone to the wrong address with your questions. Experience will reveal to you that the class of men who are office-seekers in a Lodge of Free Masons are also office-seekers in other organizations amongst men. So-called lodge politics is one of the serious problems confronting Freemasonry today.

My brother, look beneath the surface and you will see that pride and ambition and desire for power are not in harmony with the teachings of the Craft where all men are equal.

Before you leave the history, it will be well for you to examine carefully the records of different Grand Lodges—not all of them, but the leaders—the Grand Lodges of Great Britain, three of them, the various Grand Bodies of Europe, and in this way get a fair idea of the lineage of the Craft as far as recorded.

The duties of a citizen devolve upon the citizen by virtue of the “manifold blessings and comforts he enjoys”. As a citizen, a man is expected:

To obey the law; to uphold the Constitution and government; to do his duty in jury service; to go to the polls and vote; to bear arms when called to the colors; to pay his just share of taxes; to take an intelligent interest in his government, his party and political economy; to support the public schools; to reverence and honor the flag; to keep peace; to serve his country, state, county and town when called to leadership; to live so that his neighbors are happier for his living.

Under the review of California we read:

The idea is growing among those not actively connected with the Eastern Star that a great good could be accomplished if the Order itself would follow the regulation made obligatory upon it in Scotland by the action of that Grand Lodge. This eliminated reference to any connection with Free-Masonry, and the necessity for the presence of a Master Mason at their ceremonies. We understand that the result of that rule has clarified the situation in Scotland, and it would undoubtedly have the same effect in a number of other Jurisdictions where friction has arisen.

This from the characterization of a certain Grand Secretary’s argumentativeness:

He argues all the time and would consider it a Masonic offense for him to permit any statement, at any time, by anybody to go unchallenged until he became thoroughly convinced that said statement was absolutely right from birth to date of delivery.

In his review of Canada he makes many citations from Grand Master Martin’s address with apparent approval and especially emphasizes his stirring conclusion, which he quotes in full. He kindly speaks of our “splendid Report on Correspondence” and answers our question as to Egypt in the following informative way:

Under the head of Egypt, Bro. Ponton asks which of the Grand Lodges of Egypt was recognized by Nevada in 1928. We beg leave to report that Nevada extended fraternal recognition to the first of the Grand Lodges founded in Egypt, headed for many years by the Prince Mohamed Ali as Grand Master. It is the National Grand Lodge and was founded some sixty-two years ago. The present Grand Master is Bro. H. E. Mahmond Fahmi Kutry, Pasha. The Grand Secretary is Bro. Abdel Miguid Younis, with headquarters at the Masonic Temple, Cairo.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

George E. Danforth, M.W. Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, M.W. Grand Secretary.

After full and many Lodges of Instruction which were held throughout the year, the semi-annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held December 27th, 1929, in Manchester.

At this and at the annual meeting Halsey C. Edgerton faithfully represented Canada.

The Officers of Grand Lodge successively vacated their stations while the First, Second and Third Degree were conferred. In this Jurisdiction, as in most others of the United States, Commissions of Grand Representatives with jewel of that office, are presented with all due ceremony in the Grand Lodge. This we should copy.

The members of the Schubert Quartette of Boston visited and entertained the guests of the Masonic Home.

The Forty-first Communication was held in Concord, May 21st, 1930. Seven Past Grand Masters adorned the Grand East.

The Grand Master of Vermont and the Grand Secretary of South Carolina were distinguished guests.

From the address of Grand Master Danforth we take this rich summary of thought:

Richer in knowledge, gained in the university of experience, we have come together in the earnest hope that we may gain and give through our deliberations and association and through personal contact, a clearer vision, a better realization of our high ideals and noble purposes, an added courage, that our sympathies may be quickened, and that we may be strengthened in every fraternal impulse and resolve.

We are living in a different atmosphere than we did twenty-five years ago. Then we did not have so many automobiles with which to go about the country, no radio to amuse us in the evening after a hard day's work, no movies to attract our attention, and no service clubs to give us the fellowship we were wont to find in the lodge meetings.

Nothing is the matter with Freemasonry, yet we must be up and doing; apathy and indifference must be driven away; we need more of the personal touch and brotherly contact. May I quote from the great scholar and Mason Albert Pike:—"Freemasonry, if one loves and venerates it and devotes himself to its service, will illuminate with content the autumn and winter of his life, will enable him to live well and happy and to die with contented resignation."

A Special Communication was held at Portsmouth for the following purpose and 517 Masons were present:

For the purpose of welcoming and entertaining the members of the Masonic fraternity of the English, Irish and Scotch Constitutions, of H.M.S. Capetown, a special communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Portsmouth, August 15.

The Grand Master had also been Grand Master of the Oddfellows and was entertained by them.

The Masonic Bulletin comes in for some well deserved praise. It is ably edited.

The affairs of the Home are in excellent condition.

Some 35 secretaries failed to reply to a communication of the Grand Master, due to negligence and carelessness, as to which the G.M. says:

While I do not wish to seem to be arrogant, still the officers of the lodges must understand that a request from a Grand Master is the same as a command.

He advocates an increase in dues and many lodges are acting upon his suggestion.

The district Deputy Grand Masters' reports read like our own in the multitude of their details.

Membership 15,465. Decrease 21.

Grand Master Danforth was re-elected.

William M. Logan, our efficient Grand Secretary, known north, south, east and west, was the Grand Representative of New Hampshire, now, G. C. Bonnycastle.

The bright cheery and penetrating report on Foreign Correspondence is for the 24th year the labour of love of Harry M. Cheney, Grand Secretary. He says in his introduction:

The more I have given the more I have received. That is a law of our life and I am glad that it applies to our Freemasonry, just as it applies to everything that we do.

A few choice ones have occasionally told me that they read what I write. That does me good and does them no harm. I wish that there were more of them.

Under Alabama we read:

The Grand Master, among the first things in his address, stated to his brethren that "this is your Grand Lodge' Then he added, "let us do all the good we can, and get all the good we can." That spirit will make any Grand Lodge great.

A cheap structure would cheapen Freemasonry—ours is not a cheap institution. That is mighty well put.

This from his review of Alberta:

About the first thing we encounter is his expressed dislike of our public installations. They do not appeal very strongly to the New Hampshire writer, but a lot of our

members like it and it has been indulged in for a great number of years.

In some things we allow our lodges to do things as they prefer to do them, much more so than most grand jurisdictions. Lodges, with us, may provide for the election of their officers in any month that pleases them.

Humorously he quizzes British Columbia's Latin:

He informs his home folks that Harry Cheney writes *currente calamo*. We just do not know what that means and no Canadian within convenient reach is able to interpret it for us.

Under Canada he gives a friendly analysis of all our Proceedings of Grand Lodge at Ottawa, in the course of which we read:

First there is a quick story of the discovery of that immediate section of the Dominion, finely worded. Then there is an appeal for Canada to take her place among the nations, to live her life rightly, constantly exerting her influence for what is good and best. If great Canada will just do that very thing, she surely will become of supreme importance in the affairs of the world. Our faith in her is so strong that we refuse to think of her failure to meet an opportunity.

He knew the late Sir John M. Gibson well and briefly sums up in this tribute:

We mourn his going, but we are also grateful that we had such an one.

Along the line of education he suggests that:

Our strongest men should be induced to lead us in such an endeavor.

He kindly and encouragingly says this of our Review, for which we thank him and add that our visits to Concord are an undying memory:

It is a document of unusual length. But it has another characteristic—its unusual depths. Few documents of its kind equal it in its worth—all because a great Mason, produces it. We know this, because we have been reading him for years, and because we have been blessed with a personal contact.

Such a paper as we have here encountered we never attempt to review. But we do know how to become enriched through its reading and through an effort to assimilate what we can of it.

In the review of Indiana we read:

Somebody wanted to occupy a lodge room, in which to play bridge. We can imagine no more enjoyable rooms in which to do this than many lodge quarters, but the Grand Master said that it was against the law. The decision was

right. What hurts us is to know that there are so many who can see no impropriety in permitting it.

We are all impressed with Louis Block of Iowa, as is our friend Cheney, who says of him:

Masonry is theistic—believes in God. Then in quick virile fashion he proceeds to prick the bubbles blown by mongrel scientists who seek to destroy and not to build. The very vigor of the attack fascinates the weaker mind. When these nine pages are over we know that we have had something come into our life. We try to grab it all as a staff, to help us in the days that may be allotted for our existence.

He well says under New Mexico:

Oh what a gem a good secretary of a lodge is. He is the spinal column of his lodge. It is he who gives his lodge its rating.

Music is a feature of all Grand Lodges and especially of South Australia:

A thing in the address that does not trouble us in New Hampshire is music during degree work. There what may be played on an instrument or what may be sung, and precisely when this may be done, is expressly provided, under official sanction and direction, as we understand it. Here it is left to the judgment and common-sense of the musicians.

Western Australia commenting on the public installation which holds in New Hampshire, our colleague says:

It is, indeed, a promoter of good feeling, and of course is great advertising—one of the very few ways of attempting attraction. But we are ready to confess that for us as an individual it has never been appealing.

NEW JERSEY

Benjamin F. Havens, M.W. Grand Master.

Isaac Cherry, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and forty-third Annual Communication was held at Trenton, April 16th, 1930. Fourteen Past Grand Masters contributing of their counsel founded on experience, to the good of the Craft.

Canada's Grand Representative, M.W. Bro. Ernest A. Reed was duly present.

A special meeting of Grand Lodge had been held on March 30th for performing the rites of the Fraternity over the remains of Fred E. Tilden, P.G.M.

From the invocation of Grand Chaplain Sanford we take this thought:

Bless all who come under our care. Look upon the aged with Thy love and favor, and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen them so much the more with Thy spirit in the inner man. And when the journey of life is over, grant them a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at the last.

The opening ode was sung:

Our fathers' God to Thee,
Author of Liberty

To Thee we sing,
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light,
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.

Five new lodges were granted dispensations.

Page after page of visitations indicate the zeal and assiduity of the Grand Master and his official family. Many visitations were paid also in other Grand Jurisdictions, including Quebec.

The Grand Master says of Masonic Clubs:

Masonic clubs and other similar groups are tempted to engage in practices, social or financial, which, to say the least, are questionable, and in which lodges ordinarily would not be permitted to engage. All programs should be carefully considered before promulgation.

He acknowledges the Scottish Rite Charity Foundation \$6,000 the income of which is to be used for the Home and other activities.

Again the chain letter bobs up against the common sense of the Craft:

Chain letters have again flooded the Grand Jurisdiction. They are untruthful and absurd and necessitate much time and labor and are prohibited by Grand Lodge. Brethren are reminded to destroy them immediately upon receipt.

Grand Representatives have been appointed to Panama, Chile, Honduras, Colombia and Die Grosse Landesloge von Sachsen of Dresden, Germany. New Jersey is cosmopolitan.

Grand Master Street's Symbolism of the Three Degrees costs 25c a volume and the G.M. says their value has been demonstrated to all the constituent lodges.

Of the Masonic Bureau he speaks with praise:

Any effort tending to ennoble labor deserves the approbation of Masons, for did not our ancient brethren desire to "travel in foreign countries, work and receive Master's wages?" It has received the support of 204 lodges.

He felicitates himself at the "end of a perfect day" thus:

The many hours spent in service have been pleasant ones. The work has entertained me rather than tired me, and the fact that I have not had an ill day or missed an engagement during my entire term is an indication of how gently the mantle has rested upon my shoulders.

Membership 96,157. Net gain 1,384 a good showing.

On the George Washington Memorial, stimulus is required. The Committee end their report:

It has always been true that almost anybody can do the first half of a job, but it is they who do the last half of the job who arrive.

There are eight branches of the Employment Bureau which together placed in employment 1,158 applicants. They help others to help themselves.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence Report regarding Brazil:

The organization of Brazilian Masonry is unique, complicated and somewhat mystifying.

Your Committee suggests that no action looking toward recognition be taken until the clouds which obscure the Masonic skies in Brazil are gone.

A special Committee set out in full the basic principles essential to meet the requirements for recognition by New Jersey.

A motion for the adoption of dual membership failed.

A resolution was passed saying that in the opinion of Grand Lodge the funeral service is cold and void of hope for the bereaved and does not truly depict Masonry as we feel it should be publicly expressed. A Committee was formed.

Donald J. Sargent was elected Grand Master.

William H. Day, of Guelph, represents New Jersey.

Ernest A. Reed, Howard R. Cruse and William S. Hunt constitute the able Committee on Correspondence. They say in their review of Alabama:

Beyond, and vastly greater than all things, is the broadening and humanizing principle of the Fraternity upon public and private life.

This from their review of California:

Masonic philosophy should be interested in life and in problems of human living, much more than in esoteric speculation.

We read under District of Columbia:

No one will be recommended who does not possess all the qualifications to satisfactorily fill the position he seeks. This places the bureau on a sound basis with the employer, whose interests, after all, must be considered. The cost of operating the bureau was \$2,500 per year.

Under Florida:

The parasite organizations have gone to unusual lengths.

Wisconsin gives them the following:

No farmer now tries to get along by sowing his seed broadcast as his grandfather did, but all do not use the same make of drill. Yet with all our zeal we should not forget that there are some soils of such a nature that no amount or manner of cultivation will ever produce a crop.

Which in your scribe's humble opinion, is the source and substance of the whole matter.

He has a word of praise for Canada at the Ottawa meeting and of Ottawa itself:

The Capital City, is already acquiring for itself a growing recognition among the capitals of the world.

Perhaps it was the opportunity for reflection that came with enforced idleness, or perhaps Brother Martin is singularly gifted with a charm of expression, but in either event we found his address delightful reading.

One of his journeys took him into Northern Ontario. It was replete with interest and wonderful associations. Men of strength, vigor and stalwart personality are becoming members

This Grand Lodge has a Board on the Condition of Masonry. It shows careful analysis and a fine understanding of some of the current inhibitions of the Craft. Commenting upon the lack of attendance, the committee record a series of special events to relieve what is sometimes considered as "monotony of the work". Emphasis is put on the selection of the Master of a lodge and the continuous promotion method is condemned. With this we are in full accord.

This remarkable report ends with an appeal for men of courage and character to combat the "poisonous germs of anarchy and communism" which are being injected into the roots of our civilization.

Of our review he kindly says:

The report on correspondence is by Bro. Ponton. He reviews New Jersey happenings in a friendly spirit, and then proceeds to review New Jersey's reviewer in the same spirit, using in the process many quotations that appear over the writer's signature in his reviews of other jurisdictions. We rather like this disintegrating process, particularly as we find the comments are invariably friendly.

Little Prince Edward Island gives us a nugget of comment:

Grand Master Sinclair's description of the sensations of a candidate in the presence of the Master of a lodge, who himself feels the truth, the beauty, and the power of the ideals he is endeavoring to impart, is almost thrilling. We

heartily agree that letter perfect is not enough. If, as many claim, Masonry needs a revival, a good place to begin is with the ritual. Let it be given with an understanding and an earnestness that cannot fail to carry conviction.

The review of Holland shows that the annual meeting was held at The Hague in 1929. They had many visitors. Holland has suffered a severe loss by the death of Grand Master Bro. Carpentier Alting. Concord Chapter composed of English and American brethren residing in Rotterdam was granted a charter.

NEW MEXICO

Herbert S. Murdoch, M.W. Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Fifty-second Annual Communication was held at Clayton, March 17th, 1930. The school furnished an excellent musical programme throughout the entire Masonic week.

Nine Past Grand Masters strengthened the Grand East.

Several Special Communications are recorded as being held for the purpose of laying cornerstones and other worthy objects.

At Portales two cornerstones were laid on the same day, those of the High School building and of the Methodist Church.

The Grand Master delivered an excellent address on Cornerstones and the law of the Craft, the tenor of which can best be gathered from the following extracts:

It is eminently fitting and proper that Masons should continue the practice of such ancient ceremonies, not only because the speculative Mason of today is the descendant of the operative Mason of former times, but also because there are grounds for the belief that the genesis of Freemasonry itself is of like antiquity.

Our government will either endure upon the rock of respect for law, our courts, and our principles of government, or it will perish in the quicksand of lawlessness and anarchy.

The laws of my State and my Country are my laws. Upon me rests the burden of supporting those laws.

Our Fraternity is judged by those of us who live by the minimum standard.

I am my brother's keeper.

Any amendment or article of the basic law of the land, which does not accord with the wishes of the people may,

and should be changed, but only in the legal, orderly manner for which ample provision is made.

As Masons and citizens, we may properly agitate for repeal, but coupled with that, nullification seems to put personal preference above every other consideration, even above the stability and perpetuity of the government under which we live.

A warm and interesting address of welcome was delivered, some of the sentiments thus expressed:

As Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote: "He who stops being better stops being good." May your pride continue to be justified by your continual recognition that your ideals will not let you rest content with any one achievement, but spur you on.

In presenting you this key to our city we offer it with the portals of our heart.

A Gavel was also presented by the W.M. of Clayton Lodge, who said:

This is a convention age.

Our communications have always been joyful and fruitful occasions. Each year we gather as one great family.

From the Grand Master's address we take these fruitful extracts:

Judging the future from the past, I can see this old ship sailing down the river of time, accumulating Masonic strength; taking her place in the battle of life for those great Masonic principles which we all hold dear; equality of opportunity; obedience.

I say to my successors that the anchor of this ship, in time of trouble, is found in a group of men who once were its captains. A more capable and willing body of men in any emergency cannot be found.

Among his many decisions was the following:

During the period of suspension, if offense is again committed, can lodge try member under suspension?

Held: Yes.

He still holds that the old operative physical qualifications is a land mark and that in New Mexico a cripple is not qualified to receive the Degrees. We got over that long ago in Canada.

Clandestine Masonry is still prevalent, the Grand Master saying:

I desire to call attention to the Masters and Wardens that clandestine Masons have been sitting in the constituent lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, this year, and that you should always be on your guard.

It seems to me this committee on investigation functioned carelessly and thoughtlessly, and apparently with no

interest in protecting their own lodge in particular, or Masonry in general.

A plan is proposed to secure financial assistance from sister Grand Jurisdictions. New Mexico certainly needs it.

Apparently New Mexico considers as foster stepchildren De Molay and the Rainbow Girls, as though they had not enough altruistic work of their own to do.

The G.M. closes with this verse:

That some one's cheery voice and smile
Shall prove that I had been worth while;
That I had paid with something fine
My debt to God for life divine.

The Sojourners' Club, Fort Stanton Relief and Trowel Club, the Revolving Student Loan Fund and the Fort Bayard Relief all appear to flourish through the generosity of the New Mexico brethren.

Membership 7,047. Net gain 115.

New Jersey still continues to be the chief contributor to the Masonic Tubercular Association.

A message from the Eastern Star reads as follows:

To the Masonic Fraternity is due the credit for being the first organization to recognize that "Woman's heart beats responsive to the same inspiration that prompts man to noble deeds, and that woman's help and influence are requisite to the best service of humanity." We recognize our dependence upon the Masonic Bodies for growth, protection, and inspiration.

Victor L. Minter was elected Grand Master.

John Milne is the able Foreign Correspondent and deals at length in friendly and fraternal fashion with many Jurisdictions.

This from his review of Alabama:

We are unable to see the "propaganda and publicity" that was not "wisely chosen" and can therefore offer no comment. However, our good brother might change his mind if he could see the picture of distress that we of New Mexico see among those who come to the Health Country for relief from tuberculosis.

This from British Columbia:

Past Masters have a standing in the British Empire not accorded in the United States.

He finds so much of merit and the Craft spirit in our John S. Martin's address that he devotes two pages to extracts and says it was one of the best addresses of the year. The following also may be of interest:

A large part of the proceedings is taken up with detailed reports of the D.D.G.M's.

The report on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. Ponton. He is a most versatile reporter and it is a pity that New Mexico was omitted.

This reviewer certainly did not omit New Mexico from the reviewing Trestle Board willingly. He did not receive the Proceedings in time and made up, he trusts, for it in last year's review.

A comment of our colleague under District of Columbia in speaking of P.G.M. Baird's review, expresses his opinion thus and gives food for thought:

Regarding the splendid gift of the A.A.S.R. of \$1,000,000 to the George Washington University, he says: "This is the work the Protestant churches should have done, but they have more time for politics and prohibition."

NEW SOUTH WALES

We deeply regret the omission through an accident, of this fine Jurisdiction so full of literary gems, of Masonry in action and of genuine fraternal spirit.

NEW YORK

John A. Dutton, M.W. Grand Master.

Robert Judson Kenworthy, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and forty-ninth Annual Communication was opened in Masonic Hall, New York, May 6th, 1930.

Among the Grand Chaplains, of whom there are several, are such noted names as R.W. Bro. S. Parkes Cadman and Charles D. Broughton and A. Hamilton Nesbitt.

Eight Past Grand Masters testified New York's fidelity.

M.W. Bro. Thomas Penney as usual, faithfully represented Canada.

From the invocation by Rev. S. Parkes Cadman we share these striking thoughts:

Give to us equitable and speedy justice so that all things which are wrong may be slowly but assuredly righted by Thy power, not ours, which is always making for righteousness—the power that neither hastes nor rests but comes as gradually as the dawn and re-robes the human family with new dignity and new beginning as this May springtime robes the landscape with its vernal color and its charm.

Let the shade of Thy hand cover all. Abolish among us race prejudice and the things which separate men from their brother men, so that Jew and Gentile, Catholic and Protestant, bond and free, those who have and those who

have not, may yet feel that the things which last are common possession, they are the property Thou hast given to us as Thine own endowment of every soul Thou hast created, and, therefore, light in us afresh those holy fires which cannot die and which shall burn up the dross of base desire and purify our hearts until what is best in our Masonic spiritual architecture shall be incarnate in our lives.

The Grand Master delivered a long and comprehensive address, of the style and matter of which the following will be illustrative:

We enter the new year great in numbers, and with the prestige of nearly a century and a half of progress .

The world moves on. It's an unhappy thought, but true, that these vacant places will soon be occupied; the gaps filled and the circle again closed, when all will go forward as before. But, we shall not forget them.

"How poor this world would be without its graves, without the memories of its mighty dead! Only the voiceless speak forever.

Of the late M.W. Bro. Vrooman and R.W. Bro. Bishop Shipman he says:

His outstanding achievement was the bringing to a successful conclusion the efforts which for a period of nearly fifty years the Fraternity had put forth to construct a home for its dependent aged and orphans. Under his leadership a commanding site at Utica was purchased.

In the Bishop's last sermon, delivered only an hour before his death he said, "What Saints we should have in religion, if preaching were enough and practicing were not required."

He gives a concrete case of success brought about by a change of Secretaries and a new and efficient secretary getting at the work and says:

This is a striking example of the condition which may arise through indifference of lodge officers, and also of what may be accomplished to cure and prevent such conditions.

He embodies in his address the report of the Overseas Mission to Finland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Roumania. The Grand Orient of Roumania is hampered by what New York calls a so-called Masonic organization calling itself The National Grand Lodge of Roumania.

In Syria and The Lebanon there are about 45 Masonic lodges, some variously chartered by Scotland, Egypt, and France and also by the now suppressed Grand Orient of Italy. Of the non-intercourse of some of them through non-recognition, the Grand Master says the brethren themselves dwell together in the utmost of harmony regardless of Masonic origin.

This includes our lodges so far as our law permits. The people of the country, as a whole, are intensely religious. With them religion is a part of their daily life. This is as true of the brethren working under the French charters as with the others and that we debar the members of our lodges from fraternal association with the latter is a matter of grief to all. Scotland and Egypt permit association of their brethren with the French lodges and the French brethren, after an open profession of a personal belief in God, are permitted to visit the lodges working under those Jurisdictions. Our Brethren in that part of the world, many of them English, Canadian and American, are convinced that much benefit would result if a similar permission were given our lodges, and in this M.W. Bro. Sawyer and the others from here who have from time to time, inspected our Syrian lodges fully concur. I so recommend.

He is an enthusiast for dual membership and with the rest of us is against installation in public places.

Under the general head of "Other Bodies" he is informative and outspoken:

Grand Lodge recognizes only four organizations as Masonic; namely, The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdictions.

I do not question the good intentions of our brethren who join; they do not harbor any thought of disloyalty to Masonry; but membership in these organizations necessarily divides their allegiance, their time and their resources.

They comprise women and boys or young men under age.

These groups composed of persons who are prohibited from becoming Masons, present the most serious problem.

The existence of these organizations composed wholly or partly of Masons and some of them with no Masons as members, weaken Craft Masonry, and if we are to preserve Masonry in its purity, integrity and supremacy, serious consideration must be given to them.

Masonry has no business connections of any kind or nature.

Five outstanding Religious Services were held in Churches and Cathedrals during the year in New York.

The Masonic Home at Tappan supplemental to the Home at Utica, has been visited with pleasure.

The Masonic Outlook, New York's official publication, is more popular than ever before.

The Trustees of Masonry are having even in this rich Jurisdiction a difficult time:

In the discharge of these duties, the Trustees have done, and are doing, all that can be expected of them. The Trustees are not charged with the duty of raising funds for their use. Their duty is to administer the funds which we furnish them, and they are limited in their work to the funds thus furnished.

This from his conclusion:

This history is our heritage, and with it the future of the Fraternity in our Empire Jurisdiction is in our keeping. What that future will be depends upon how we measure up to the standards set for us by our predecessors.

Grand Master Snyder of Pennsylvania, was welcomed and spoke. He spoke at length in condemnation of the Eastern Star giving concrete examples of Pennsylvania's unfortunate experience with them. One can scarcely credit that women in combination with men patrons, could attempt such interference with lodges and Grand Lodge and elections.

M.W. Bro. Sargent in reply said:

If I make that confession, I can also state to you that if any such condition came to light in New Jersey as came to light in Pennsylvania we would deal with it just as they did there. (Applause).

It is "in the works" to purge ourselves as far as possible from many of these parasitic organizations that are attaching themselves to the body of Masonry.

Membership Master Masons 346,413.

A wonderful record of the Masonic Home and Hospital with programmes of various entertainments held there by the children and the staff fill many pages of most interesting reading. Radios have been placed in all the buildings and every comfort provided for the family of the faithful.

The Committee on the Grand Master's address emphasize one of his points:

A commercialized Freemasonry would be a devitalized Freemasonry. Misguided brethren who seek to capitalize the fraternal tie must be set straight in their thinking.

Pershing Hall is being erected in Paris, France, and an appeal is being made for funds.

The Judge Advocate, a useful officer, presented his report as auxiliary to the Grand Master. We quote:

It has been the privilege of the Judge Advocate to advise the Grand Master in legal matters, as requested, and on occasion to prepare and submit the formal opinions which have been used by the Grand Master in his decisions.

An assessment payable in installments constitutes an entire indebtedness and notwithstanding provisions for installment payments, it must be fully discharged before a Brother may be permitted to withdraw from membership.

The Committee on Grievances pay great respect to the judgments of the Courts:

This is not the first time that Grand Lodge has been asked to ignore the findings of the Courts of our Commonwealth which in effect would be a nullification of the prerogatives of the Judiciary, and as we are obligated to uphold and obey the laws of our State and Country, your Committee does not believe that we should go on record or set a precedent that could be interpreted even to the slightest degree as an attempt to reverse a decision of any of our courts.

The Court considered him guilty, his lodge considered him guilty, and so do we.

This from the Committee on Deceased Brethren:

Of such as he was there are few on Earth,
Of such as he is there are few in Heaven,
And life is all the sweeter that he lived,
And all he loved more sacred for his sake,
And Death is all the brighter that he died,
And Heaven is all the happier that he's there.

M.W. Bros. Sawyer, Tompkins, and Richardson, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, report:

Resolved that the recommendation of the Grand Master be approved and that lodges and brethren located in Syria and the Lebanon, and belonging to this Jurisdiction be and hereby are granted the right to engage in Masonic intercourse and exchange visit with lodges and brethren in that territory belonging to other Grand Lodges whether in formal relationship with us or otherwise, provided always that our members shall not be permitted to visit any lodge, not requiring a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe by whatever name he is called in the religion of its members, and no Mason belonging to any such lodge shall be admitted to any of our lodges unless and until he shall have openly expressed to the lodge his personal belief in God, by the name he is called in the Brother's religion.

Again he of the poetic and Scottish name, R.W. Bro. Ossian Lang, Grand Historian, presented an erudite and comprehensive report on the formation of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Space only permits a few extracts:

When Brother Peary discovered the North Pole and did not find a Scotsman sitting on the top of it, there was quite some disappointment in Great Britain. Later when Brother Byrd circled the center of the Arctic region and found that there was no pole to sit on, but only a waste of ice, everybody felt better about it. The Scot's habit of getting to the top is taken for granted as a matter of course. What would Great Britain do without Scotsmen to draw upon in emergencies, when primates, field marshals, empire builders, prime ministers and "heads o'departments"

generally, are wanted? Hence there ought to be no cause for surprise to note that about a dozen Scottish peers were Grand Masters of the Mother Grand Lodge of England.

The writer of the book of Constitutions was a Scot, the Rev. Dr. James Anderson, who wove into the texture a distinctive Masonic vocabulary and many quaint forms and allusions derived from the Mason Lodges of his native land.

More and more the example of England won approval. All that remained to be done was that a leader would come to the fore and propose a program for the union of the lodges in a Grand Lodge of their own. Here was the chance for Mary's Chapel of Edinburgh to fortify her claim to primacy, or for her rival, Mother Kilwinning, to steal a march which would give her the headship. Mary's Chapel was just about three days late in starting. Canongate Kilwinning of Edinburgh, actually one of the younger of the hundred odd lodges in the country, took the initiative and —won. The canny circumspection displayed in setting out to attain the desired result, furnishes a gem of an example of Scottish shrewdness in action.

Canongate Kilwinning claimed to have been chartered by the lodge of Kilwinning in 1677, which would have made her near sixty years old, in 1736, when she undertook to win the Scottish lodges for the plan of electing a Grand Master for Scotland.

M.W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, P.G.M. Massachusetts made a felicitous speech in which he gently banters Pennsylvania in its claims for antiquity:

So whatever you may say about the age or whatever may be said about "age," I am certain as to the question of importance.

You know, when one goes, as I have been recently in Mexico, to a bull fight, and you wave the red flag in front of the bull, he starts for it; and when the Most Worshipful Grand Master says anything about the precedence of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, how can a Massachusetts Brother keep silent?

Some day, if Pennsylvania ever is able to establish the fact that our dear old friend Daniel Cox ever exercised his jurisdiction, we shall bow very gracefully to Pennsylvania; put until that evidence is brought forth so we can find it we shall still be proud to pin upon the breast of Grand Masters the Henry Price Medal, reciting the fact that he was in Massachusetts the founder of duly constituted Masonry in America.

A new proposed Constitution of the Craft in New York is printed in full.

Our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. William M. Logan of Hamilton, now represents New York and they could not have a better.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is really an epitome of the world's Craft history. As another Reviewer says "it is virtually an annual Masonic General Register". From the introduction we quote:

The rest has been obtained by correspondence, supplemented by the invaluable treasury of information collected by the Overseas Commission and added to our files.

Suspensions for non-payment of dues, no doubt are accounted for easily; Negligence on the part of the lodge in the collection of outstanding dues is one chief factor. Economic depression, non-employment and other conditions indicating that the delinquents are unable to pay, suggest that the lodge ought to come to the rescue and take steps to aid the embarrassed brethren. Dropping those who wilfully withhold what is due, is plainly a Masonic duty; the Craft cannot afford to harbor welshers. Careless individuals ought to be reminded of their obligation and stricken from the roll if they do not respond.

But what about those who withdraw from membership for reasons other than financial?

Are we finding in our Masonic contacts and experiences those spiritual qualities and inspirations so fundamental to the institution and so vitally essential to the growth and upward progress of humanity?

In many lodges on the European Continent and in some other jurisdictions, chief emphasis is laid on lodge attendance. Brethren who fail to attend, without reasonable excuse, are not wanted.

All the greater is with us the duty of our lodges to make their meetings profitable and enjoyable to an extent that the largest number of members will want to attend as often as they can.

May we suggest that every Worshipful Master appoint a Committee of interested brethren to cull from the reviews the items considered most helpful to the membership and then set aside at least fifteen minutes of every Communication for the presentation of their selections. This can be made a feature which the Brethren will look forward to with keen interest, because it will give them an inspiring sense of the great work the Craft is doing throughout the world.

From Illinois regarding Bro. Darrah's contention that many Grand Lodges have let down the bar, we read:

The question of origins cannot be disposed of by a general statement. Conditions under which Masonry has developed in the last two hundred years are too variegated to dispose of in one sentence. If England is appealed to, her practice also should be upheld.

This in Porto Rico review:

The Hogar Masonico (Masonic Home) erected by the Craft of Porto Rico, begun in 1928, was opened officially. The Home reflects the self-sacrificing solicitude of the Porto-Rican brethren for the education of the young. In 1928 the institution took care of thirty-six resident pupils, boys and girls. The number rose to fifty-six in 1929.

Canada at Ottawa was appreciatively reviewed. The Grand Master's address and his pleasure in his many visits with the brethren, are spoken of. Of his visit to the north and other matters we read:

It was a journey of two thousand miles. He constituted a new lodge at Kapuskasing and visited all the other lodges of that region. The growth of Masonry in that wonderful country and the character of the men identified with it impressed him greatly.

Ontario, too, is wrestling with the problem of dimits and suspensions. Though the membership statistics show a gratifying increase, there is still much "annual wastage."

The duty is to open the portals to men of strong moral and intellectual fibre and then to assimilate them and inspire them with a spirit of service to humanity.

"In the last analysis," he said, "the way to peace is the will to peace. We have seen the vision, and nations are like men in this, that they can advance only as their eyes are uplifted to the hills."

Of the Report on Condition of Masonry he says that it is a broad-gaged and constructive review and the Report on the Grand Master's address is called equally note-worthy, especially the paragraphs on peace. We blush with pleasure as we read his comments of our review:

And now the report by Bro. Ponton. Satisfying as always, copious of citations, chary of comment. The citations quite evidently were selected with constant thought and discrimination as to their timely inspirational or practical Masonic helpfulness. Each has a brief line or two of introduction which here and there includes a significant adjective or maybe a terse sentence of appreciation or caution. The whole gives an excellent picture of the sixty-four English-speaking Jurisdictions. New York is most completely presented in twelve telling pages, generous praise is accorded to our overseas activities, and the review closes with a hearty "Hats off to the Empire State!"

A graceful tribute under England:

We share with the Mother Grand Lodge her feeling of great loss to the Craft in the death of V.W. Bro. Sir Thomas Willes Chitty, Grand Registrar whose determination of the Masonic law in several difficult questions has been of keen interest and practical help to our own Jurisdiction.

Vienna, Bulgaria, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany (several), Holland, Jugo-Slavia, Norway, Rumania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and Turkey are all reviewed with great research and the volume is a treasure house of European Masonry. African Reviews cover at length Egypt and a thumb nail sketch of 140 years of Masonry in Egypt is added. Asia embraces Northern China and Shanghai. And so we close this wonderful all-embracing volume, which would be a great addition to any library shelves and will be prized by the individual possessor into whose hands it may fortunately come.

NORTH CAROLINA

John J. Phoenix, M.W. Grand Master.

John H. Anderson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Proceedings and the Correspondence Review are published in separate volumes and come from the Print shop of the Oxford Orphanage, where children are being taught "the art preservative". The two volumes are a credit to their Craft workmanship. The Proceedings are preceded by some fine lithographing work reproducing a Commission of the Duke of Beaufort as Grand Master to Joseph Montfort dated January 14th, 1771.

The One hundred and forty-third Communication was held in Raleigh, January 21, 1930.

From the invocation of Grand Chaplain Hall we take this thought:

Guide us through this Brotherhood to bring forth throughout the earth better conditions in government, better civil relationships and holier ties of brotherhood, because we have worked together in Thy service.

Nine Past Grand Masters were present. Canada was as usual, faithfully represented by H. M. Poteat.

P.G.M. A. B. Andrews introduced the Grand Master of South Carolina and his Grand Secretary.

From the Grand Master's address we make some worth while extracts:

Many sections of Eastern Carolina have suffered from failure of crops and in Western Carolina industrial disturbances have been followed by business depression.

I profoundly sympathize with our brethren afflicted by things beyond their control; we should offer substantial aid and assistance where needed.

As to careless methods of subordinate lodge finances and inability to meet Grand Lodge obligations promptly.

These conditions will continue unless this body make it possible for the Grand Master to maintain close super-

vision over the subordinate lodges. No official successfully represents the Grand Master. The subordinate lodge officer will not accept a substitute for the Grand Master. The Grand Master should be adequately financed.

I believe if a Grand Master will visit every lodge in North Carolina during the next five years we will see a change in the spirit of Masonry.

He does not recommend any further appropriation to the Washington Memorial.

He praises the Orphans' Friend, the official organ of Grand Lodge published at the Home.

He travelled 27,400 miles. He praises the social intercourse of Masonic picnics.

He gets back to foundation principles on the misuse of Masonic emblems.

He urges the carrying of Life Insurance upon many brethren, the Policies to name the Orphanage and Home as beneficiaries.

On Saint John's Day over 10,000 assembled at the Orphanage, of which he further says:

The Craft realizes but a small part of the vast possibilities of this work for children. Our position in the field of child welfare is a recognized one of leadership.

We owe Oxford nothing less than the best in equipment and personnel.

He deplores the poor attendance at Masonic funerals.

He urges economy.

Membership 40,307. Net loss 1,061, also to be deplored.

Grand Orator Britt delivered the oration on "The Mission and the Meaning of Masonry." He points out that the derivation of "Mission" comes from the Latin word "missio"—to send, to throw, something that is sent out with a definite object in view. Other paragraphs are as follows:

Masonry is the building together of various units, such as stones, bricks, wood, iron, or human beings into a common mass or structure.

In its essence, the word "Masonry" may be held to mean building or joining units together in an organized mass. It may also be applied in a moral as well as in a material sense. Man is a moral as well as a material builder. He instinctively takes material forms as symbols of spiritual truths. Therefore, the natural evolution of Operative Masonry is Speculative.

In human history, from the earliest time, we have evidence of the quest of the Ideal.

The great dominant law in Masonry is the law of the square. The two great forces of nature that work through every atom of matter—the centrifugal force of the earth's motion, and the centripetal force of gravitation—work in perfect harmony. These two mighty forces, working on the square, keep in harmony.

To plant the trees, that after we are dead shall shelter our children, is as natural as to love the shade of those our fathers planted.

To sow that others may reap; to work and plant for those that are to occupy the earth when we are dead; to project our good influences far into the Future, and to live beyond our time; is the true office of a Mason, and the proudest destiny of a man.

The Committee urge that all should:

Unstintedly lend their support to the enhancement of its future possibilities, thereby increasing the richness and the usefulness of the child-life committed to its care.

The Field Secretary asks some searching questions and the answers are illustrated by Globe charts. (1) What is your average attendance? (2) Have you a Masonic library? (3) How well is your lodge supporting the Orphanage and Home? (4) How many members can conduct Educational Meetings?

The Necrology Committee gave a striking extract from Charles Dickens' story of Barnaby Rudge centring round the well known line "Hugh, we shall soon know what makes the stars shine."

To Bro. Royster, lawyer and General, this tribute is paid:

No lawyer had such devoted followers as he. They admired him, loved him and stood by him. Whenever he appeared in any important case and it was noised around that Royster was going to address the jury, his admirers would gather and before he had proceeded very far the court-room would be filled with an attentive audience and he would know that he had the loyal backing and good wishes of a host of listeners. No wonder he was eloquent and witty and successful in winning cases.

Friend! we've been long together,

Through pleasant and through cloudy weather;

Say not Good Night—but in some brighter clime

Bid me Good Morning.

The sentiment of Grand Lodge was against a cipher being authorized at this time.

On the presentation of the Grand Master's Jewel these graceful words were used:

May the gold ever remind you of the work and worth which the Grand Lodge appreciates you have done. May

the diamond which adorns it remind you as it will remind us of the bright spot your administration has in Masonry, and may the circle remind you as it will remind us of the circle of friendship which death alone can break.

E. W. Timberlake, Jr. was elected Grand Master and in his address at the closing he quoted this poem:

I have no need to share the blame
If pallor dims the orphan's cheek:
I have not made the cripple lame,
Nor taken from the poor and weak.

But knowing how they weep at night,
Where all is dark and cold and bare,
I wonder if I have the right
To let myself forget to care.

At a special Communication an address was delivered by Rev. Bro. Dr. Rowan, whose subject was "True Masonry is True Religion," and who during the course of his address said:

What, then, let us ask, at this point, is religion? Religion, either pure or impure, is not something separate and detached from people; it is they themselves in every relationship of life and existence.

Religion is what people believe. In the Holy Bible, which lies upon the altar of every Masonic Lodge, we find these words: "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness."

If the faith of people is pure, their religion is pure; but if their faith is not pure, their religion is not pure.

Again, religion is what people think. In the Holy Bible, we find these words: "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he."

Religion is what people say.

Religion is what people do.

Religion is what people are.

Pure Masonry in the first place is trust in God. If a man does not trust in God his Masonry is not pure.

Pure Masonry, in the second place, is friendship.

Pure Masonry, in the third place is morality.

I, for one, believe that spirituality and morality are as inseparable as faith and works.

Pure Masonry is brotherly love.

W. S. Herrington, K.C., our Deputy Grand Master, represents North Carolina.

The handsome volume of Reviews is of course fathered by the greatest of us all, J. Edward Allen, who in his Foreword as usual, gives us something to think and ponder over:

There is rapidly approaching a time of the survival and refinement of the fittest.

New trends are discerned, new problems confront us.

The truth is, however, that to whatever extent Masonry is weakened this will come not from without, but from within. No hostile church, no unscrupulous political group, no rival society, no competition from other activities, can or will do to Freemasonry serious harm. Her greatest danger is from the unassimilated material within. There is evidence of Masonic indigestion!

The ultimate effect of every case of maladjustment is disintegrating.

The great danger today is not in decreased numbers through suspensions, nor in retarded accessions through scarcity of degree work, nor yet through finances, but through disintegrated morale.

Herein is a solemn warning—against admitting any save those who seek to enter that they may serve.

We foresee not the extinction of Masonry by all of this complex group of forces, but its refinement. Out of the transition will come a Freemasonry with greatly reduced numbers of members, but with a superior group retained, and with a greater force as an agency for good.

We do not think of it as possible that Freemasonry shall see its forces shattered any more than are those of the Church disintegrated. Each is now experiencing parallel trends, is studying similar problems.

This writer holds that Masonic education should primarily be for him who has been recently raised, and for the younger Mason. His enthusiasm is high, his interest is keen, and he is ready to do and to learn through the enthusiasm of the situation. What a pity that we have not well directed activities whereby that readiness for Masonic Education may be adequately utilized, so that every Mason before he becomes older and colder shall be saturated with both knowledge of, and "feeling for," the philosophy, the practice, the history and the ritual of the Symbolic Craft.

Great as these institutions are, they can by no means cover the field of a Mason's charity. They are able to do much good—but the greatest good that they do, is to stand as living, visible symbols of a Mason's charity and not the be-all and the end all of it. These institutions are guideposts to every Mason, telling him that with them his charity does not end, but only begins.

Every Mason should study the landmarks, the unchanging fundamentals.

He uses a most complete address on Masonic Landmarks by E. W. Timberlake, Jr., Deputy Grand Master,

Professor of Law at Wake Forest College. It is too bad that space will not permit its reproduction in toto. We therefore must illustrate it by the following paragraphs:

Again, the landmarks and Masonic common law, both being founded, in tradition and custom, may be likened to what Sir William Blackstone, the great English Commentator, terms the *lex non scripta* or unwritten law, and Masonic legislation to what he terms the *lex scripta* or written law.

Brother Roscoe Pound, Dean of the Harvard Law School and an eminent Masonic scholar, defines the landmarks of Masonry as "certain universal, unalterable, and unrepealable fundamentals, which have existed from time immemorial, and are so thoroughly a part of Masonry that no Masonic authority may derogate from them or do aught but maintain them."

Dr. Mackey's eighth landmark is the prerogative of the Grand Master to make Masons at sight. In this Dr. Mackey is clearly in error, though he bases his statement on some rather interesting if not sound, reasoning. The practice of "making Masons at sight" is not a universal or even a general custom. Some even go so far as to prohibit it expressly. It is so prohibited by North Carolina. It will be readily observed, therefore, that this so-called prerogative cannot be regarded as a landmark, and it is doubtful if it can even be considered as a principle of Masonic common law.

Dr. Mackey's fifteenth landmark is that "No visitor unknown to the brethren present or to some one of them as a Mason can enter a lodge without first passing an examination according to ancient usage."

As this is incidental to the right of visitation, above mentioned, it follows that it is Masonic common law and not a landmark. Attention should be called to the fact, however, that it is a principle of very vital importance, and one which lodges should carefully enforce.

The eighteenth landmark deals with certain qualifications of candidates for initiation. "These qualifications," he says, "are that he should be a man—shall be un mutilated freeborn, and of mature age. That is to say, a woman, a cripple or a slave, or one born in slavery, is disqualified for initiation into the rites of Masonry."

In stating this landmark, Dr. Mackey is partially correct but not entirely so. It is an unquestionable landmark that a Mason must be a man, freeborn, and of age. The generally accepted view is that if the candidate is physically qualified to give and receive the words, signs, and tokens, he is eligible for the degrees of Masonry.

As a landmark, therefore, the principle should be stated thus: "A Mason must be a man, freeborn, and of age."

What he says with reference to the unchangeability of landmarks is every word true, and yet we can hardly admit his view that this unchangeability is a landmark. It is a characteristic of a landmark, but not a landmark itself.

J. Edward Allen is himself the administrator of a complex school system. He is also the Grand Correspondent of other Masonic branches, some of the difficulties of which are set out in the following:

To read fifty thousand pages per year of Masonic literature with sufficient care to write reviews of it all, three times each year; prepare statistical information that is worth having in connection with this material, and in addition to all these things do all that he would like to do for his Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery the Scottish Rite, the Shrine, the Orphanage, and all other claimants upon his time and energy. This is an age of specialization.

He deliberately closed in his own face the door to honors in certain phases of Masonry, deliberately invited criticism because of what he has been unable to do, and did not do—deliberately sacrificed some things personally to be desired that he might better serve. And he has with it all, he would fain believe, worked faithfully for the children of his county, and they say he can boast of one of the most effective school systems of the State as a result.

He commends his work to the Craft universal.

May Masonry ever be potent for usefulness, a tower of strength for service, close to fundamentals for ideals, and well informed and enlightened for constructive planning and intelligent execution.

As is his wonted custom he intersperses an anthology of choice poetry between his Reviews, the first being the following:

Out of the vast comes nearness;
For the God whose love we sing
Lends a little of His heaven
To every living thing. •

He quotes Whited as calling the Foreign Correspondence a Post Graduate course in the School of Masonry, of which the writers form the Faculty.

Another verse:

But now I pray for Love:
Deep love to God and man,
A living love that will not fail,
However dark his plan.

And Light and Strength and Faith
Are opening everywhere;
God only waited for me, till
I prayed the larger prayer.

And still another:

Low lies the stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
But the temple the teacher builded
Will last while the ages roll;
For that beautiful, unseen temple
Was a child's immortal soul.

A good definition of Masonry in the Illinois Review:

Masonry is a study and practice of the companionable life. It is the art not only of intelligent, but of complete living.

In this age, when not only music but nearly everything is afflicted with the jazz incubus, when many of our masters feel honestly called upon to attempt to draw members into the Masonic Sanctum Sanctorum by the allurements of almost everything from illustrated travel talks to slapstick vaudeville, will you take it amiss if I sound the call of back to the landmarks of Masonry?

Tennyson, in one of his poems, attempting to pay the highest compliment to England's Queen, uses these stirring words: "O loyal to the royal in thyself." We believe there is royal in every man.

Another verse of cheer by Van Dyke:

Let me live my life from year to year,
With forward face and reluctant soul;
Not hurrying to, nor turning from, the goal;
Not mourning for the things that disappear
In the dim past, nor holding back in fear
From what the future veils; but with a whole
And happy heart, that pays its toll
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.

Hogarth's "Night" and other pictures of Masonic origin are reproduced by a new process.

Still one more fine constructive poem:

He built a house, time laid it in the dust;
He wrote a book, its title now forgot;
He ruled a city, but his name is not
On any tablet given—or where rust
Can gather from disuse—or marble bust.
He took a child from out a wretched cot,
Who on the state dishonor might have brought,
And reared him to the Christian's hope and trust.
The boy, to manhood grown, became a light
To many souls, and preached for human need
The wondrous love of the Omnipotent.
The work has multiplied like stars at night
When darkness deepens; every noble deed
Lasts longer than a granite monument.

Dr. Joseph Fort Newton has well said:
Here lies the tragedy of our race:
Not that men are ignorant;
All men know something of poverty.
Not that men are wicked;
Who can claim to be good?
Not that man are ignorant;
Who can boast that he is wise?
But that men are Strangers.

The review of England terminated with some paragraphs on "Masonry an Aid to Empire", and refers especially to India:

Masons from India tell us that the only force which has ever been able to transcend caste lines or to do anything toward harmonizing conflicting religious elements seems to be Masonry. In a word, influential Englishmen recognize in Masonry a great harmonizing element which can do much toward unifying the Empire; and this will explain to some extent why official and titled Englishmen identify themselves prominently with the Fraternity.

This verse makes us pause:

"Mr. Meant-to" has a comrade,
And his name is "Didn't-do".
Have you ever chanced to meet them?
Did they ever call on you?
These two fellows live together
In the house of "Never-Win,"
And I'm told that it is haunted
By the ghosts of "Might-have-been."

The keynote of the Review of Canada is "Educate the young man."

He believes that we have not given sufficient attention to our newly made brethren.

The most interesting part describes his visit to the North Country. Having mentioned his visit to Cochrane and other towns in the paper and pulp area.

Our recollections of this country seem to justify his description of it as being "in the heart of the rocks". It seemed to us that nothing was to be observed in Northern Ontario except rocks, lakes and small trees. It seemed to us that some time in the future the development of the natural resources of this country will be one of the most phenomenal achievements of an industrial era.

That part of the Grand Master's address referring to International Relations strikes him:

We are striving, a little blindly perhaps, a little impatiently certainly, for a new heaven and a new earth.

For Democracy is not a thing of words and phrases, and Peace will not be a thing of pacts alone. We of the

British Empire know that Democracy may develop under a king; the agonizing cries of countless thousands of innocent victims remind us that it may perish miserably under the forms of a republic.

Of the Report on the Condition of Masonry he speaks highly and incidentally refers in the most encouraging way to our Reviews:

The following paragraph is a sort of double barreled proposition; first it refers to what we consider to be a rapidly growing evil, communism; and second, it refers to that prince of Reviewers.,

This report also contains the epitome of the qualifications and duties of the model Worshipful Master.

Ponton says of this writer that "he more than edits, he creates, the Masonic Reviews," which high compliment is followed by two pages of quotations from the North Carolina Reviews, with comments thereon.

Let us hope that we all have this goal and quest:

All roads that lead to God are good;
What matters it, your faith, or mine;
Both center at the goal divine
Of love's eternal brotherhood.

A thousand creeds have come and gone;
But what is that to you or me?
Creeds are but branches of a tree,
The root of love lives on and on.

To round out fully the anthology of our creative colleague we quote the following:

Upon the wreckage of thy yesterday
Design thy structure of tomorrow. Lay
Strong cornerstones of purpose, and prepare
Great blocks of wisdom cut from past desire.
Shape mighty pillars of resolve, to set
Deep in the tear-wet mortar of regret.
Believe in God—in thine own self believe,
All thou hast hoped for thou shalt yet achieve.

This monumental work concludes with the standards of recognition of various Countries. We quote the Portuguese as an example of philology:

Que inicia Macons unicamente a homens.

O Reconhecimento de uma crença em DEUS, Pae de todos os homens.

O LIVRO DA SAGRADA LEI DIVINA, a principal das TRES GRANDES LUZES da Maconaria e de indispensavel necessidade nas Lojas, durante os seus trabalhos.

NORTH DAKOTA

Robert B. Cox, M.W. Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The Forty-first Communication was held at Fargo, June 17th, 1930.

South Dakota, Montana, Minnesota and Manitoba were welcomed and in referring to the latter these pleasing lines:

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, until a week ago Grand Master of Manitoba. In honor of these Canadian brethren the Union Jack was displayed in the East, and as they reached the Altar one verse of "God Save the King" was sung. Grand Lodge program, grows in interest each year.

We make the following quotations from the Grand Master's fine address:

We must be prepared when we celebrate our 50th Anniversary to care for our aged brethren and their dependents in a way that reflects credit upon this Grand Lodge.

Then there is the fellowship of a gathering like this that is of great value and we urge the brethren not to stand on ceremony but to fraternize freely. Don't wait for an introduction. Your lodge is sufficient. We are all brethren and friends.

Early in the Fall, we sent to the lodges what we termed a Pastoral Letter. This outlined what we had in mind to emphasize during the year. In this letter we were pleased to term the North Dakota Masonic Foundation as Boaz, the Pillar of Strength, and our Masonic Relief Program as Jachin, the Pillar of Beauty.

No new temples have been built during the year, consequently no corner stones were laid, no dedications made and as these are strenuous times for the most of us I think it was well that no new buildings were started this year.

Bro. Arvold was requested to participate in the dedication of the Peace Monument in Toronto.

Of the Masonic Service Association he says:

I have always considered this one of our important undertakings, and I still think that a great deal of good can be accomplished through this particular channel.

The Grand Secretary presents a report worthy of himself, in the introduction of which he says:

We are proud to be included in this small group and to have had a part in building an institution in this State which has influenced for good the lives of thousands of individual men, which has left its imprint on more than a

hundred different towns and cities and has profoundly influenced the higher life of this state. So it is proper once in a while to look backward only that we may the better look forward.

This is our twentieth report. It is our conviction that we must not close this Grand Communication without drawing some plans on our Grand Lodge Trestle Board which shall mature within the next ten years. "Where there is no vision the people perish."

Membership 15,446. Net loss 24.

Of Grand Lodge entertainment he says:

The Grand Lodge dinner, we believe, is an essential part of any entertainment and we certainly do not favor asking individual delegates to purchase tickets at \$1.00 or better for such a dinner, neither is it fair to expect the host lodge or lodges to bear this increasingly heavy financial burden each year.

The Committee on the Relief Fund thus terminate their report:

Get into the mood of praising, helping, relieving, encouraging some despondent brother and family, and not be afraid of bestowing your gifts now when it can be appreciated in life, and we call your attention to the poem of Brother Edgar Guest, who says:

"I could speak of yonder brother as a man it's good to know;

And perhaps he'd like to hear it, as he journeys here below,

I could tell the world about him and his virtues all recall,

But at present he is living, and it wouldn't do at all:
So I'm waiting, yes, I'm waiting, till the spark of life is fled:

Ere I raise my voice to praise him, I must know that he is dead."

Grand Lodge was called off briefly to listen to a song recital by the daughter of the Grand Master, educated at the University of North Dakota, who enthralled her hearers.

Of the Grand Lodge Library and Museum the report says:

That which I have valued as a sacred trust, and I have endeavored in every way to so carry on that there may be the fullest return in that intangible thing which comes from the contact with good books, and which comes only from such a contact.

In groups and otherwise we have met approximately 500 children who have come to us from what amounts to convenient automobile distance from the city.

One group even went so far as to draw a frieze showing that which had especially interested them and presented it to us.

M.W. Bro. Murfin reported on the vexed question of large lodges:

The breaking up of the larger lodges as well as the consolidation of those too small to be efficient, is meeting with considerable attention in the east and south. Both extremes are proving undesirable for the general good of the fraternity.

The Committee on Education report:

The Work among our young people has gone on to the joy of all concerned. Over forty of our lodges are bending their energies in the direction of the youth. Boy Scout Troops are sponsored and leadership provided. De Molay, Rainbow Girls and Camp Fire Girls receive their meed of attention.

The Committee on Necrology spoke thus of the Dead:

The mystery of death is no greater than the mystery of life.

Why should we be forlorn? Death only husks the corn,
Why should we fear to meet the thresher of the wheat?

Man is a sacred city built of marvellous earth,

Life was lived nobly here to give such beauty birth.

Death opens unknown doors. It is most grand to die.

Grand Lecturer Frank C. Falkenstein, well remembered by us in Canada, gave a report of his contacts:

In the next place, the officers at least should master the ritual, not merely as a means of keeping up the work of the lodge and interesting the membership, but as a source of education and culture for themselves.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Historian Libby presented a useful report:

A group of our lodges in the northern part of the state have drawn on Canada for their early members. Bottineau, for instance, had five members by demit from Ontario and two from Manitoba. Pembina, Hamilton, and Bathgate each have three Masons on their roll from Canada. Rolette, Walhalla, Minot, and Portal have two each and some eight other lodges drew members from the same source. Three members came to us from lodges in Ireland, Germany and Denmark.

A cablegram from the Duke of Connaught was favorably received.

Charles H. Starke was elected Grand Master.

William W. Shaw is the Grand Representative of Canada and Judge H. D. Leaske of North Bay (he of the 19th Hole of goodfellowship) represents North Dakota.

North Dakota is gathering up the histories of constituent lodges.

Let us look forward clear-eyed and unhesitatingly to the decades of the future.

M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin presents the Correspondence Report and quotes largely from the pen of J. Edward Allen of North Carolina, We make the following extracts:

It is well for us once in a while to bring ourselves to remember that Masonry is indeed a world-wide institution, flourishing on every continent and in every longitude and in every latitude in which civilization exists.

The concepts of British and American Masonry, which require the presence in the lodge of the Volume of the Sacred Law, and require belief in the Grand Artificer of the Universe, are coming to be more and more respected. One peculiarity of European Masonry at this moment, is an attempt by certain influential Germans hostile to Masonry, to link up Masonry with what they see as Jewish international influence in political affairs. General von Ludendorff has had much to say about this matter. It is charged that certain Internationalist freethinkers, Jews and others, have gotten control of certain Masonic organizations, lodges and even Grand Lodges; and that their influence is of a radical sort. This propaganda is now being discredited.

In Honduras, there are more foreign Masons in lodges under the constitution of Scotland than in the lodges under the Grand Lodge of Honduras.

In Africa we find a situation different from any existing elsewhere in the world. But one should not get the impression that there is not regular Masonry in Africa. There are more than a dozen District Grand Lodges or Provincial Grand Lodges of England and of Scotland, Portugal, France, and Belgium also have lodges in their African possessions. There are three Grand Lodges in Africa; two rival bodies in Egypt, and the Grand Lodge of Liberia, the colored republic. Curiously enough, the Grand Lodge of England recognizes the Grand Lodge of Liberia, the colored men's country, but does not have Masonic communication with the Egyptian bodies where are a number of British and other lodges also. This last fact is caused by the delicate diplomatic problems now existing between the governments of Egypt and of England. The second Grand Lodge of Egypt originated in a revolt.

Just as the Great Teacher depended solely upon twelve men to propagate and perpetuate Christianity and they failed not, so Masonry must and does depend upon each initiate to propagate Masonry for this and succeeding generations. The responsibility upon the individual Mason in this great work is perhaps greater than he realizes.

In speaking of Canada he says that the Grand Master reviewed a most busy year and that he was deeply impressed with the growing demand for further light. He then makes a notable quotation from the address, and adds:

The board on the condition of Masonry presented a most readable report and we note that it reports with approval a growing practice of lodges having "special nights", such as Grand Lodge nights, Past Masters' nights, Veterans' nights and Canada nights.

The report also calls attention to the record made by the lodge at Abingdon, which, with a total membership of 78 had an average attendance for the entire year of 84 members and visitors. We are willing to wager that the officers of that lodge are a live bunch, open on time and close promptly.

The thing which impresses us most about their entire proceedings, is that their experiences and problems are so similar to our own.

From the Massachusetts' Review we take this extract:

It is the same old story, wherever it is tried. The Craft are eager for enlightenment, and the grand lodges who fail to provide the instruction are missing an opportunity..

Victoria (Australia) prompts this comment:

Just for instance, the opinion was expressed by one delegate that the lodge at Detroit which has over four thousand members was entirely too large. We heartily agree. It ought to be replaced by twenty lodges. Another brother in discussing the proper manner of giving the signs said he had seen things done in American lodges that would "make each individual hair stand on end, like quills upon the fretful porcupine." So have we, right here in North Dakota and are ashamed of it, but we might be pardoned for calling the brother's attention to the fact that this little grand lodge of fifteen thousand supports a library from which 121 communities borrowed 3,198 books in 1928, and is also carrying on an educational program that any grand lodge in Australia could well feel proud of. These things are the measures of real worth, the other merely the outward manifestations, important though it may be.

NOVA SCOTIA

Martin Luther Fraser, M.W. Grand Master.

J. C. Jones, R.W. Grand Secretary.

R. V. Harris, R.W. Grand Historian.

The Sixty-fifth Communication convened in Halifax, 11th June, 1930.

Five Past Grand Masters were present. Canada had the honour of being represented by the Grand Secretary.

M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland, P.G.M. was cordially welcomed.

Grand Chaplain Greatorex conducted a short service, preaching upon the text:

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in Unity. Psalm 133; Ver. 1.

Teaching among other lessons:

From the earliest times, there has been in the minds of men, diversity of opinion, which has led to some of the greatest conflicts in warfare, and the grandest accomplishments in Peace, and those which were conceived in Peace have brought more lasting good and permanent benefit to mankind.

The world today is demanding results. What then is Freemasonry contributing to the progress and uplift of mankind?

A telegram appears to have been sent by Grand Lodge to the Mystic Shrine convened in Toronto.

In the introduction to the Grand Master's address we read:

It is fitting that our annual communication should be held this year in Halifax, at a time when the operative Masons are so busily engaged in erecting magnificent structures of one kind and another. May this great activity among the operatives prove an inspiration to us Speculative Masons so that we will return to our respective homes from Grand Lodge determined to assiduously put into use all the working tools of our Profession and by constantly spreading with the Master Mason's trowel the cement of brotherly love and affection, build individual characters and lodges, of "figure, strength and beauty."

The G.M. was thankful to report that "our official circle" has not been broken by death during the year. Surely members of the official circle are no more to be mourned than other members of the Fraternity.

The G.M. gave this final word to the brethren:

Well informed brethren are always available for short prepared addresses, and there is talent everywhere among

the fraternity for good programs of music and other desirable attractions. Why not make full use of such means for our profit and our pleasure.

An extension costing \$54,000 and Architect's fees and furnishings has been arranged for the N. S. Freemasons' Home and the G.M. expects that the money will be soon subscribed for this, which he well terms "blessed Institution".

One of his decisions was:

The so called changing of a lodge is either for the purpose of conferring degrees or conducting an examination of a Candidate. At the proper time, "high twelve", the W.M. orders the J.W. to call the craft from Labour to Refreshment, for the purpose of opening a lodge of Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts, as the case may be. This have been done the W.M. instructs the S.D. to disarrange the Great Lights, (not close them), and then declares his lodge "at refreshment." The lodge whatever lodge it may be, is not closed, because if it were, it could not be opened again until its next regular communication or an Emergent communication properly called. While "at refreshment," the W.M. opens a lodge of Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts as the occasion may require, at the proper time ordering the S.D. to "arrange the Great Lights for that degree." The work of conferring the degree or examining the candidates having been finished, the W.M. closes the lodge of Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts, at the proper time ordering the S.D. to "disarrange" the Great Lights. The lodge of Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts then being declared closed the lodge is again "at refreshment." It is then "called on again" by the J.W. on an order from the W.M. The W.M. then orders the S.D. to "arrange" the Great Lights and declares Labour resumed on the Third Degree.

Membership 9,958. Net gain 56.

Four substantial donations and bequests for the Home have been received during the year.

Grand Historian Harris presented as usual, his annual Historic Report, giving a dramatized version "Over to the Enemy" which was well received.

A long debate took place upon the Order of the Eastern Star, from which we take the following:

The degrees cannot be conferred unless a brother in good standing shall preside. He can call upon the Worthy Matron to assist in conferring the degrees.

These "Landmarks" of the O.E.S. define the relationship between the Order and the Craft.

Here we may share with the Masonic brother in promulgating the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

In the Installation Ceremony, the Worthy Patron, when installed, is addressed as follows:

The badge of your office is the Square and Compasses within the Star, an emblem of the relationship existing between the Masonic Fraternity and the Order of the Eastern Star, and admonishes you to be ever mindful of your obligations to the Order.

The Petition for membership in general use contains a statement that the petitioner or her husband, brother, etc., is a Master Mason in good standing and a member of..... Lodge.

M.W. Bro. Rowland's gracious presence is again referred to:

M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was called upon to address the members present, to which he responded in his eloquent and happy style. His remarks, being all too short, were received with the closest attention.

A special Committee on Land Marks reported:-

Your Committee recommend that immediately after the above presentation is made to the candidate, that he be given a short charge enunciating the seven leading and universally recognized Landmarks and fundamental principle of the Order, respectfully submit the wording of such a charge for your consideration as follows

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia by the authority of which this lodge confers the three degrees, while recognizing the impossibility of confining the teaching of Masonry to fixed forms and definitions, acknowledges as Ancient Landmarks and Fundamental Principles which no authority Masonic or otherwise can repeal, the following:

1. A belief in one living and true God, the Great Architect of the Universe, and Father of all men.

2. A belief in the immortality of the Soul and a resurrection to a future life.

3. The Volume of the Sacred Law of our Faith as the Great Light in Masonry and an indispensable part of the furniture of every lodge.

4. The Legend of the Third Degree.

5. The secrecy of the Institution, including the modes of recognition.

6. The Symbolism of the operative art of Freemasonry.

7. Restriction of membership to men, freeborn and of lawful age.

The Grand Lodge while declaring that this statement is not exclusive or exhaustive, urges upon all its votaries, faithful adherence to these immutable principles; their further study as a basis of a better understanding of our

speculative science, and their transmission unimpaired to succeeding generations.

Martin Luther Fraser was again elected Grand Master.

Thomas Forsyth of Toronto, represents Nova Scotia.

Grand Secretary Jones presented his sixteenth Annual Review.

Under Alberta we read in connection with the visit of Bishop Fox:

The elaboration of articulate speech gave men a mental handhold for consecutive thought and a vast enlargement of their powers of co-operation. Articulate speech is composed of vocal symbols in ideas and of things.

We may cultivate the understanding heart, that will alone preserve the ties of friendship, that binds us into one as neighbours and brothers.

Canada is fraternally reviewed with a full summary of our activities. This tribute is paid to the late M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson:

Among the last words spoken by Bro. the Hon. William D. McPherson, were "I am ready to go. My house is in order. My family can carry on," and so after a life full of activity he passed to the Great Beyond honored by all who knew him.

We read further with regard to the address of the Grand Master:

Referring to "Demits and Suspensions," the Grand Master says that all the advice and admonition he wishes to give may be condensed in one brief sentence "That our losses come from the wholly inadequate attention that is given in keeping our membership interested in Freemasonry" How true these words, and how applicable to so many Grand Jurisdictions. And he strongly urges that more time should be given to the making of Masons than the securing of members. Again, how true but so frequently overlooked. Great stress is laid, and properly laid, upon the increasing need of Masonic Education.

This gentle rub with regard to our ancient and honoured name is also included in the Review. Perhaps our friends do not quite understand from our point of view the sacredness of our ancient name:

In fact, more than once it has been suggested that, unless this is done, we change our name from the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Nova Scotia). No trouble at all about making the change and why should we not do it, as well as the other Provinces in Canada?

Again referring to Grand Master Martin's composite address the Reviewer says:

We not only like but fully agree with the noble and uplifting sentiments so well expressed by M.W. Bro. Martin, and trust his hopes may be realized to the full.

As we write this we have just heard of the lamented death of P.G.M. Martin.

Of our own review he is kind enough to say:

Although the Report on Correspondence—an excellent one—was presented by Bro. Ponton, P.G.M., it would appear he had some assistance in this very interesting but, at times, rather trying task. Anyway, the proceedings of some 64 Grand Lodges are reviewed, many at considerable length, all showing care and sometimes with comment and criticism but always of a kind, instructive and fraternal nature.

Scotland is finely reviewed, with the death of Lord Blythswood referred to and also the fact that the Rt. Hon. The Earl of Stair P.G.M. (well known in Canada) was on the Throne.

This last quotation from the review of Wyoming!

And once more a subordinate lodge with more ambition than money built beyond its means, the result being Grand Lodge was asked to waive its dues "for the reason that they are using all of the money to pay the interest on the bonds of the new temple." The Grand Master recommended "that before any relief is given to Ashlar Lodge they have the Secretaries, past and present, waiver their claims for services rendered as Secretary of the Lodge." And he adds "If this is done, according to their estimate, they will be able to take care of the Grand Lodge dues without any waiver."

OHIO

James W. Morgan, M.W. Grand Master.

Harry S. Johnson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The One hundred and twenty-first Communication was held in Columbus, October 15th, 1930, and here is something unusual in an opening session—Grand Lodge was escorted from the headquarters by Mount Vernon Commandery and Columbus Commandery, Knights Templar.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters pillared the Grand East.

Grand Chaplain Lewis invoked the blessing thus:

Direct us, we beseech of Thee, and accept of our thanks for all that Thou has done for us, and make this day a day of advancement.

Make us a people after Thine own heart, to be worthy of being in advance of the nations of the world.

We take leave to question the worthiness of a prayer to put our Nation or any other Nation in advance of the Nations of the world.

From the introduction to the Grand Master's address we take these paragraphs:

In all my acts I have been guided by the provisions of the Code, believing that the laws have been provided for our guidance and that the Grand Master is an executive and not a legislative official.

The report of our Grand Secretary will show you that we have made an increase in membership of 2,987 during the year, and that we now have 209,707 members.

No less than three beloved Past Grand Masters broke the terrestrial ties that bind during the year. Their portraits adorn the Proceedings,

To P.G.M. Griffiths this tribute is paid:

His was a whole-hearted service. Whether as friend or patriot, counsellor, business man, or Mason, his spirit was like "the oil that ran down upon the beard" it made for peace and unity.

"It is grand to be Grand Master, but with all the distinction and honor that goes with this title, I am proud of the fact that the God that is within me is the same God that is within you, and that I am your Brother."

The bonds of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were reduced from \$150,000 to \$50,000 each.

Ohio is careful as to securities:

No sale or transfer of any security shall be made except upon the express order of Grand Lodge.

As to cornerstones and Sabbath observance this is recorded:

Sixteen Corner-stones have been laid—nine for Schools, three for Churches, and one Post Office. With one exception, these Corner-stones have been laid on Sunday, and the one exception was on Washington's Birthday. There seems to be a growing tendency to perform these ceremonies on Sunday, and I am of the opinion that we should use our best efforts to discourage this practice.

As to spurious rituals the Grand Master well says:

It has also come to my attention that a publishing house located outside of Ohio which publishes spurious Rituals has been circularizing the candidates of some of our lodges, even before they have received the Master Mason Degree, offering to supply these Rituals. The question naturally arises, how does this house secure the names of these candidates? We should use every precaution to see that a list of members and candidates is not supplied to anyone.

Under the National League of Masonic Clubs the Grand Master quotes:

No more patriotic work could be undertaken than that of establishing and endowing a school of Foreign Service at George Washington University, where our young men can be trained to qualify as representatives of this beloved country of ours.

Involved in a letter was a request soliciting the sale of cherry blossoms to be worn on February 22nd, to which the Grand Master prudently replied:

While this is no doubt a worthy cause Grand Lodge does not approve of the chain letter scheme of raising funds for any purpose. I therefore, cannot permit your proposed letter to be sent to the Masters of lodges.

Admonitory words regarding a ruling Master and all others who might copy his example, are uttered by the G.M.

My attention was called to the actions of the W.M. of one of our city lodges who was prostituting his office by borrowing money from some of the members of his lodge, using the influence of his position as Worshipful Master.

There have been other instances called to my attention of the failure of some Masons to take care of their financial obligations. The Grand Master's office is not a collection agency, but I feel that it would not be out of place to venture the opinion that Masons should be careful in all their affairs and endeavor at all times to deserve a reputation which reflects credit on Masonry.

There are 437 in the Ohio Masonic Home, as to which he says:

We talk about Brotherly Love and Relief, but unless we do some practical work, there really will be no excuse for our continued existence, and I feel that our Masonic Home is one of the best ways by which we can do practical work and show that we are sincere when we talk about relief.

I trust that you are ready to tell the world that the Masons will take care of their dependent members.

Industrial conditions are such that we will doubtless have an ever-increasing number of applicants, and we must face this fact fearlessly and do our duty.

I feel that we do not take the matter of charity seriously enough, and too often go on the theory that when the needy Brother is out of our Jurisdiction, our obligation to him ceases; but this should not be the case.

He prudently says that \$10,000 equity with an indebtedness of \$68,000 is altogether too small and no Temple should be built on such a basis.

A "hard luck" letter having been sent to several lodges from New Jersey, action was taken with the following comment:

I immediately called the attention of the Grand Master of New Jersey, to this matter, feeling that he would want to be acquainted with the letter, stating that Ohio frowned upon such indiscriminate appeals and that I presumed New Jersey did also. Bro. Havens replied that New Jersey frowned upon such communications, and could not understand such a breach on the part of one of their misguided brethren.

He says that chain letters are a violation of the United States Postal Laws, as they ought to be of all countries.

Of a new and spurious offspring called the "Matrons' and Patrons' Association" purporting to be an auxiliary to Masonry, and holding a regular session in the Commandery room of the Masonic Temple, the G.M. firmly says:

This organization, we understand, carries on its roster in some capacity husbands of Past Matrons of the Order of the Eastern Star who are not Masons.

That the meeting of the Matrons' and Patrons' Association is contrary to the provisions of the Grand Lodge Code, and must be discontinued.

Harry G. Gram, Judge of the Juvenile Court, was elected Grand Master.

As to Masonic Education the Committee recorded:

The Grand Lodges of California, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Texas, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Saskatchewan, have set aside definite sums of money to be used in their several jurisdictions in promotion of some form of Masonic education. Iowa has been the more outstanding example, and long has been a leader in such work, spending many thousands of dollars each year.

The Committee on Jurisprudence in connection with their ably conducted work share their legal knowledge with the Brethren and this is in accordance with the educative principle in Masonry. We pass on the information as a factor in the "tie that binds":

An agreement, upon sufficient consideration, between two or more persons, to do or not to do a particular thing. Hence, to constitute a valid contract, there must be parties capable to contract, a lawful subject matter of contract, a sufficient consideration therefor, and an actual agreement between the parties to do or to forbear doing the thing proposed in the agreement.

A perfected gift is an executed contract in the law. It can no more be revoked by the donor without the consent of the donee than if there was a valuable considera-

tion moving from the latter to the former; but the gift must be a perfected one—one to which nothing more is essential to pass the title to the donee.

Since there was a perfected gift before 1909, they and each of them became life members.

It is different with Class B-2. They and each of them had not complied with the conditions of the gift, and it had not been delivered. And moreover Grand Lodge had interposed lawfully to prevent for the good of Masonry, to discontinue such life memberships by its legislation. Thereafter, in accord with said legislation, there could be no delivery of said gift.

It is essential to the validity of a gift that there be a a distinct and absolute delivery of the property, so as to show that the donor has relinquished all dominion over it.

So long, however, as the gift remains incompleted—so long as something remains to be done, either by the donor or donee, to complete the transaction—the donor may revoke the gift. A very familiar instance is where there has been no delivery of the thing given; in all such instances there may be a revocation.

Ohio passed five subdivided requirements for recognition, among them the following:

The symbolism of Operative Masonry.

That its dominant purposes are charitable, benevolent, educational, and for the worship of God; and that it excludes controversial politics and sectarian religion from all activities under its auspices.

The Foreign Correspondent of Ohio is paid annually \$600 and earns it.

Many pages feature the details of administration of Ohio's Masonic Home, which is beautiful in architecture and in situation. Its spiritual foundation and superstructure is thus expressed:

The foundations of this Home have been laid broad and deep in the hearts of the members of our great Brotherhood. You have erected here a structure which is the pride of the Craft.

In this Home grief will be alleviated, the unfortunate comforted, the helpless strengthened, young lives saved from crime and shame, and fitted for usefulness. This Home will be the crowning glory of Masonry in Ohio. May we, therefore, annually celebrate the day that gave it birth and dedication.

\$27,000 were received last year in gifts, legacies and bequests. This ought to encourage other Jurisdictions to go and do likewise.

The Masonic Veterans' Association does fine work and of those venerable Brethren who have passed on, they say:

I know he will awake
And smile on me as he did yesterday;
And he will have some gentle word to say,
Some kindly deed to do; for loving thought
Was warp and woof of which his life was wrought.
He is not dead. Such souls forever live
In boundless measure of the love they give.

The handsome and dignified face and form of Earle Stewart, P.G.M., Foreign Correspondent, precede his Report. We are always glad to be able to visualize our colleagues.

Under Alberta's Review we read:

I believe there is no greater service that you in Canada can render to the world than in the interpretation of our country to the Mother Country, and of the Mother Country to us.

Temple building, with all its joy of accomplishment and possession, by all means, but, brethren, be wise—temple building with financial caution.

Canada for 1930 is well reviewed and the presence of Ohio's Grand Representative, R.W. Bro. George Moore, that public spirited Mason, is recorded. Of the address of Mayor Wemp he says:

The mayor, in a few well-chosen words, pointed out that the Queen City was a town of home owners, noted for its churches and its schools, a fitting place for the anniversary meeting of a fraternity whose devotion to public interests, community welfare, and a community spirit was so evident.

Our long list of visitors is commented on and he speaks of the address of the Grand Master as being very business-like and able. Long quotations are made with special reference to the paragraphs regarding Masonic offences. He kindly says that our review is submitted in an interesting and thorough manner and is a diary of Masonic doings, or better perhaps a historical sketch brought up to date. We appreciate his encouragement.

A Masonic chart is an insert to the Proceedings.

From Georgia we get this gracious phrase:

He submits his fourteenth Annual Review "in a spirit of love, made sweeter, deeper, and broader by the years of service."

Under Iowa we reach the heart of a friend:

The heart of a friend never wonders or doubts,

No matter if years intervene;

The old faith is there, and naught can compare

With the comfort it gives, though unseen,

Yes, the heart of a friend is the one thing I prize,

As life lengthens and twilight descends;

It's the last boon I'll ask, when I finish my task,

That I live in the hearts of my friends.

This from Kansas:

The modern idea that man is so social in his nature as to require the transformation of the lodges into clubs, where the altar with its Great Lights is pushed aside and a place of assembly is created where men may eat and drink and satisfy their physical desires, shall not, must not be permitted. It has no place in the scheme of Masonry.

Among the many In Memoriam tributes with which "Our people remember their dead" we find no page more worthy of reproducing than that which precedes the memorials:

Around our walls I see the silent faces
Of brethren true, who, in the days long gone,
Were wont to fill these ancient honored places,
And from this level plane have journeyed on.

Sometimes—when of the olden time I'm dreaming,
Their aproned forms in order round me stand;
So real to me their presence seeming,
I can but long to greet them hand to hand.

To feel their grasp of honest, deep affection—
The sturdy grip of brethren true and tried—
To note their pride in him who, by selection,
Over the lodge is chosen to preside.

New faces gather now around our Altar,
Honest and true as those of olden time;
Strong men whose steps will never falter
In the long march to honored heights sublime.

Still, from those loved and long-gone days returning,
A host of tender memories will come,
Till all my lonely heart is filled with yearning
For brethren true who've trod the journey home.

F. S. Harmon represented Canada at Grand Lodge.
George Moore, exponent of the spirit of the Craft, represents Ohio.

OKLAHOMA

Rufus O. Renfrew, M.W. Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The twenty-second Communication was held at Enid, Oklahoma, February 11, 1930, in the auditorium of the Educational Building.

This vigorous young State is endowed with sixteen Past Grand Masters, who were able to testify their fidelity and add their experience to Grand Lodge by their presence.

Grand Chaplain McDonald gave the invocation, from which we take the following rather striking sentences:

May we recollect that to be permitted to enter the Grand Lodge above we are commanded by Thee to plant and cause to grow and bear fruit seven trees of life, as our departed Brethren did while in this life. A tree of Service they planted and caused it to grow and today we are enjoying the fruit thereof. The tree of desire they grew. May we have a desire for knowledge as did our illustrious dead of the Craft. We thank Thee, Our Father, for the dead, the illustrious ones, and those of the Craft who planted and caused to grow and have given to us the fruit of the tree of Wisdom.

The address by Bro. Hills was indeed a lengthy affair, historical as well as welcoming. As the result of his research we quote the following which may be of interest to some of our readers, referring to the time when framers of the Constitution were in session for four months:

George Washington was fifty-five years old, Benjamin Franklin was eighty-one years old!—he couldn't get out of his chair on account of sore feet; James Hamilton, thirty-six; Martin, thirty; Pinkney, twenty-nine; Randolph, thirty-four; every man in that convention under forty years of age except Washington and Franklin.

He sums up well:

Don't you see what my message is to you tonight? My message is that in addition to any legislating, making fine beneficial laws to control this master organization, your duty is also to see that Communism, Sabotism, Anarchism, Socialism does not wreck the Ark of the Covenant.

D.G.M. Lattimore, who was afterwards elected Grand Master and who is County Attorney by profession, added a touch of gaiety by way of contrast to the seriousness of the welcome:

We are glad to be with you, and we hope that when we leave you will not feel like the member of the negro church who went around to another member of the congregation and he said, "You know Brother Smith have resigned and am fixin' to leave, and we thought we would take up a collection and give him a little momentum."

Canada was represented by Peru W. Farver of Shawnee.

The Grand Master prefaces his address with these verses:

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the
utter-most parts of the sea;

Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand
shall hold me.

A report of my stewardship

And so I penned

It down, until at last it came to be,

For length and breadth, the bigness
Which you see.—J. Bunyan.

He does not say whether he accepted or not the invitation of the Shrine to go to Toronto, but he gives Bro. Youngworth his praise:

Bro. Youngworth had his subject well in hand and is to be commended in his efforts to place such an important and constructive program before his organization.

Speaking of the troublesome results which often come from Inter-Jurisdictional Relief in emergent cases, the G.M. says:

It is your duty upon receipt of such information, to promptly give the foreign lodge definite instruction, or notify it to extend no further fraternal relief to your member. The responsibility is yours.

He approves of the presentation of individual Bibles:

I wish to commend this custom of presenting Bibles. At that time and in that manner, will the member be most deeply impressed with the value and importance of this Great Light upon which rests our Masonic structure.

As to begging letters and lists of Masons he well rules:

It was evident in each case that the society had been given access to our published list of lodges with Masters and Secretaries. I urge that this book is the private property of the lodge. It should at all times be in the custody of the proper lodge officers.

Begging letters "unless they bear the approval of the Grand Master of this Jurisdiction" should receive no consideration by your lodge and be referred to the Grand Master.

This is a wise recommendation:

The Small Lodge must not be neglected. It will receive the greatest measure of benefit. In Masonry, it has the same standing as the large lodge—each has the same representation in Grand Lodge. Therefore the small lodge must have its district meetings, and receive the same recognition on programs, as does the large Lodge.

He praises the efficient work of the Craftsmen Club, an incorporated Masonic institution at Muskogee, where there is a very large U.S. Veteran's Hospital. They are the only Organization other than the Red Cross doing this kind of work, which is described in part as:

Almost daily, members of the families of disabled veterans arrive in Muskogee. They come to visit and be near their loved ones. These strangers frequently call upon Brother Myers for personal attention and the bare necessities of life. The Craftsman Club responds as far as its ability permits.

Two of his decisions may be worth reproducing:

Held: Brother refusing to obey Masonic summons sent by telephone, does not violate his Masonic obligation, legal method being prescribed.

Held: That Secretary of constituent lodge must accept and issue receipt for dues of member, when tendered in the correct amount by anyone identified as acting for the brother.

He says that the general condition of the Home family was never better. A new refrigerating system has been installed and gas is now used as the modern fuel. Those entering the Masonic Home usually gave deeds of their properties (if they had any) and these are tangible assets of the Grand Lodge, useful as revenues are declining.

He traveled 27,000 miles by rail and automobile and wrote more than 5,000 letters. Good boy Rufus!

A beautiful picture of the Homes at Guthrie adorns the proceedings.

Of the late "Father" Murrow, whose memory will never die, the Committee said:

His work on earth is finished but the ideals he established, the causes which he championed, the institutions which he founded, manifest his greatness and are more enduring than granite pillars or tablets of bronze.

The official report of the Masonic Home contains many interesting items.

How necessary it is to create a living atmosphere so wholesome, that a normal child can, and will, grow into a decent, law abiding and self-respecting man or woman. We are endeavoring to create and keep such an atmosphere in and about this Home.

All our children are urged to attend the church of their parents' choice and are not permitted to chase around from one to another. CHURCH LOYALTY, and not SECTARIANISM is constantly impressed upon them. They are religious to a marked degree.

A resolution was passed urging the members of Congress to use every legitimate means to secure the passage of the proposed Federal Educational Bill.

Bro. Fox, International President of the "High Twelve" who lectured to the brethren at the supper hour, hails from Kansas.

Grand Orator Abernathy delivered an address on: Fundamentals of Masonry as found in the entered apprentice degree.

In the course of this he said among other interesting paragraphs:

We realize that this physical life which we possess is not an accident. I think if there is one outstanding truth in Free Masonry it is that life has a Divine origin; that life is not the resultant of a combination of purely physical forces—that back of human life there is something Divine. This body which I possess has the marks of the Infinite upon it. Man is the only animal that can span the octave of a piano. He is the only one that can use his thumb and fore-finger to pick up a needle. He is the only animal that can laugh—he is the only animal that can cry. But man, after all, is the only animal which is capable of exultation and of the deepest sorrow and heart-ache.

Keep your life blood clean so that the little folks that come out with you will have bright eyes and red blood and sound bodies.

The second teaching of Free Masonry in this wonderful degree is The Divinity of Labor.

Masonry has no place for the drone. Masonry has no place for Communism. That is for the lazy at the expense of the industrious.

Oklahoma pays its Foreign Correspondent \$450.

J. G. Lyddell of Brantford, represents Oklahoma.

Membership 68,871. Net loss 2,098. This must be discouraging, but in the opinion of this reviewer the poor attendance at lodge meetings is more important than the loss through suspensions in many jurisdictions.

Thomas Chauncey Humphry, P.G., is the veteran Committee on Correspondence, who makes his 25th review, six to the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and eighteen to the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

In the British Columbia review we are put right with regard to history and geography:

The other is somewhat historical, but we only have one Grand Lodge and that is the State of Oklahoma. We have no Indian Territory Grand Lodge and we have no Oklahoma Territory Grand Lodge.

Canada at Ottawa is briefly and in the main appreciatively reviewed. Acting Grand Master Dargavel is thus described:

A portrait of Roderick B. Dargavel faces the title page. Dressed in regalia, wears glasses and very good looking.

He speaks of our many distinguished visitors. Of the loss by death of Sir John Gibson and Hon. W. D. McPherson, of our statistics, of M. Ex. Comp. Malone, and what we regret to note is that Oklahoma's review was not included in our list for that year. We hope we have atoned for it since. We review always all the Proceedings that we receive in time.

This from Nevada culled by our colleague:

God send us men whose aim 'twill be
Not to cherish some ancient creed,
But to live out the laws of right
In thought and word and deed.

Under Utah we read what has made many pause and think:

We copy what Bro. Goodwin said under the caption, "Oklahoma:

Following a prayer of considerable length came the address of welcome which was brought to a close with the words, "I thank you." We have had it in mind for some-time to say a word on the use of these words in closing an address. We have noted an increasing tendency of late on the part of speakers to wind up their remarks this way—particularly, speakers in the West, and this not only in Masonic lodges, but on all sorts of other occasions. But why? Usually such speakers at the beginning express their appreciation of the opportunity given them, why lug in those words? They have no connection with what has gone before—they really mean nothing. As well say Adios Senor. We wish someone would rise up on his two feet and give one good reason for use of this meaningless phrase.

Brother Goodwin, it is meant as a goodbye kiss.

OREGON

Milton Latham Meyers, M.W. Grand Master.

D. Rufus Cheney, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Eightieth Communication was held in Portland, June 11th, 1930, when sixteen Past Grand Masters supported the Grand Master in the East.

Canada's Grand Representative was not present.

From the Grand Master's address we make the following extracts:

There have been no requests for dispensations to form new lodges. This no doubt, is largely on account of our splendid highways and modern transportation which has brought our lodges closer together. I am of the opinion that in several places Masonry would be much better served by consolidation.

I want to again call your attention to the careless way in which investigating committees work. This is the most important committee the Master appoints, and upon their reports depends largely the bringing in the right kind of material and the excluding of those not worthy. The most flagrant case brought to my notice was from a Secretary of the Masonic Board of Relief of Pasadena, wherein he stated, "I know of a lodge which initiated a man who with five children, was receiving aid from the county charities at the

same time he was taking the degrees, and within a year, the lodge was called upon to care for his family."

Two of his decisions are as follows:

If the charges have been read in open lodge and recorded, a certificate of withdrawal can not be issued and if the Secretary had issued said certificate after charges were filed, such certificate would be null and void.

As to that part of the sentence requiring him to pay dues, and report monthly to the Master, I would rule that you are going beyond your rights as dues are paid by members to their lodges for the enjoyment and exercise of certain privileges which pertain to membership. You have prohibited these rights.

Nearly ever Grand Master comments upon the funeral service.

The Grand Master of Oregon has this to say:

In an attempt to have our funeral service made more simple and consoling, and to get away from that phraseology that is both lugubrious and sepulchral where death is made to appear as the King of Terrors, I have had prepared and will present a proposed form.

He discontinued the Flag Ceremony but ordered the Standard to be placed in the East.

He well sums up the qualifications of a Superintendent of a Masonic Home:

There are three things a Superintendent must possess. They are patience, firmness and tact.

Grand Orator Hayter delivered an address on Masonic Charity and said among other good things:

In allusion to the ceremony now under consideration, Tannehill remarks that "It is among the first lessons we are taught, when we pass the threshold of the mystic temple."

Relief, which is one of the three principal tenets of Masonry, is but charity in action.

In the lecture we are taught by the emblem of industry that we should never sit "down contented while our fellow creatures around us are in want, when it is in our power to relieve them without inconvenience to our selves;" and in the charge we are enjoined zealously to inculcate universal benevolence.

Candor compels me to say that the individual Masons have not sufficiently considered the poor, or given as they should to their relief. This condition is not due, I believe, to any lack of generosity, but rather to the want of a realizing sense of the need. "Our sympathy," says Gibbon, "is cold to the relation of distant misery."

A wise man has said:

Let him who neglects to raise the fallen fear lest, when he falls, no one will stretch out his hand to lift him up.

A graphic page illustrated by segments of a circle shows how the Home-Dollar was spent in 1929-1930.

The Committee on the G.M.'s address spoke of the capacity and urbanity with which he had governed the Craft during his administration.

Membership 30,638. Net loss 104.

Recognition was accorded to the National Grand Lodge of Rumania and the Grand Lodge of Chile but action was deferred on Grand Orient of the Amazon and Grand Orient of Rumania.

Oregon has an energetic Service and Employment Bureau. Out of 3,167 applications they filled 2,353 positions. This is a record. Canada is largely interested:

Members of 49 outside jurisdictions secured jobs through the Bureau: 85 of those being from Canada, 35 from Scotland and 4 from England. Many of these brethren would have been dependent on the Board of Relief had it not been for the Employment Bureau.

Announcing the annual banquet he showed himself a good mixer:

To night is the annual banquet to all the delegates. I am going to make an effort to break up the groupings that have characterized these dinners heretofore. I know it is only natural where half a dozen of you come from a certain point that you like to sit together.

I think it will make a far more enjoyable evening where we can be among strangers, as it were, and come away feeling we have made new friends.

A special Committee on the Grand Master's address with regard to the Flag Ceremony reported and their report was adopted:

When the lodge has been opened and before the brethren have been seated, the Worshipful Master shall say: "Craftsmen, salute the Flag of our country, emblem of liberty, equality and fraternity, principles worthy the devotion of every Mason." (At the command "Salute" all present give military salute to be held until Worshipful Master has finished, whereupon the lodge shall be seated.)

The Committee on Necrology quoted:

So on the ocean of life, we pass and speak one another,
Only a look and a voice, then darkness again and a
silence. - - - - -

O may I join the choir invisible,

Of those immortal dead who live again,
In minds made better by their presence:

Live in pulses stirred to generosity,
In deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn

For miserable aims that end with self.

A memorial service was held in memory of William Hutton Flanagan, Past Grand Master. The ceremony is printed in full and we make the following extracts as worthy of preservation for ourselves on similar occasions:

Worshipful Master: Brother Senior Warden, at what hour do Masons open a Lodge of Sorrow?

Senior Warden: At midnight, Worshipful Master.

Worshipful Master: Why, my brother?

Senior Warden: Because at that hour darkness spreads its black curtain over the Universe. The whole world is waiting the return of light to revive it. (Alarm of Twelve very slowly).

Worshipful Master: What is the hour, Brother Senior Warden?

Senior Warden: Midnight, Worshipful Master.

Worshipful Master: Brother Junior Warden, what sentiment should inspire the souls of Masons on occasions like the present.

Junior Warden: Calm sorrow for the absence of our brethren who have gone before us, earnest solicitude for our own eternal welfare, and a firm faith and reliance upon the wisdom and goodness of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Worshipful Master: Brother Senior Warden, where has our Brother gone?

Senior Warden: From a place that knew him to a place of which we have yet to learn.

(All lights extinguished except Altar lights. Senior Deacon takes a lighted candle and hands it to the Worshipful Master in the East, who raises it three times, saying "My brother, your brethren miss you. Answer their call." (After a short silence).

Worshipful Master: Our brother does not hear our call. He is like this light. Once full of light and life and now extinguished in the darkness of Death. ;Extinguishes candle).

(Senior Deacon presents to each in turn a tray upon which is powdered incense. As the three sprinkle incense on that already burning:)

Worshipful Master: So, our brother, rise to your place in Paradise. We now perform for you the last Masonic rite.

(Each of the three officers place a sprig of Acacia in the urn:)

Brother Senior Warden, when do Masons close their Lodge of Sorrow?

Senior Warden: At dawn, Worshipful Master.

Why at dawn, Brother Senior Warden?

Senior Warden: Because to us, the coming of the sun upon this earth is as the coming of the Holy Spirit in the body of our brother, leading him into the Heavenly Temple that is full of everlasting Light.

Junior Warden: Worshipful Master, it is sunrise on our horizon, and among our living spread the rays of happiness.

Worshipful Master: I declare this Lodge of Sorrow closed. Music.

(Officers of the Lodge of Sorrow leave their stations and march out of the lodge room in formation.)

The Order of the Eastern Star visited Grand Lodge when Bess Setters, Past Grand Matron, spoke as follows:

Brothers, I am happy to accompany Sister Wilson in conveying the greetings to the Grand Lodge from the Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. Sister Wilson is our oldest Past Grand Matron in service, and I am the "baby", so, of course, you don't expect a baby to talk much. But I just want to say how happy the Eastern Star is to know that the chasm is not so wide but what we can go hand in hand with the great Masonic Brotherhood in the service of humanity.

Past Grand Patron Coshow thus addressed the Grand Master:

Most Worshipful Sir, I am the flower boy, and it is my pleasure to tender to you this beautiful bouquet, as an expression of the affection and esteem that our Worthy Grand Matron has for the Most Worshipful Grand Master. Will you accept it?

Otto C. Hagmeier was elected Grand Master.

Bro. Boyden of North Dakota, spoke eloquently, quoting:

Then let us walk by faith the days reveal,

The service to be done for human weal,

Oh scatter deeds of kindness by the way,

For love will help to lighten tasks each day.

The Committee on Resolutions to whom was referred the revised funeral service, were conservative and thus reported:

We appreciate the work expended upon same and also its beauty, but after due consideration of the present service and the one offered in its stead are of the opinion that if any change is made there be a complete revision and a service offered about one-third in length.

Until such a revision is made we recommend the present service be maintained.

From the report of the Grievance Committee on a certain case submitted, we take this paragraph:

The committee is of the opinion that Salem Lodge, is not without fault in this matter, but is subject to criticism for the careless manner in which the admission of a man, bowed with the weight of seventy-seven years, was handled. The case is a glaring example of the all too frequent inefficiency of the average investigating committee.

Kenneth J. Dunstan of Toronto, represents Oregon, and Canada is represented by Percy R. Kelly.

The Correspondence Report is in the careful hands of M.W. David P. Mason, P.G.M. who graphically describes conditions in his introduction:

Reviewing Proceedings of Masonic Grand Lodges takes the reviewer around the world, not so quickly as an airplane or zeppelin but with the same thrill at the birds-eye view.

In England, Ireland and Scotland, Ancient Craft Masonry is today to be found with less of admixture of other matters, with greater depth of Masonic feeling and greater liberality of Masonic charity and greater pride of support from high places than anywhere else.

There are nearly 200,000 Masons in Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania, where the highest officials of the government fill Masonic positions.

Masonry seems especially to flourish in the English language and in the environment of protestant Christianity and Judaism.

As an outlet for this Masonic spirit we find great charities founded, Masonic Homes erected for the aged and for little children, and educational funds established to provide college or vocational training for future citizens.

This from his review of California:

During the year the Masonic clubhouse at the new site of the University of California at Los Angeles was completed to the satisfaction of the Masons of California, who realize the stabilizing influence the activities and functions of the clubhouse will have on the lives of students.

He quotes from Warner of Colorado:

Our resume is summed up in the epigram "Pause—reflect—consider. No hysteria."

A bit of poetry from Iowa is worth reprinting:

Books are yours
Within whose silent chambers treasure lies
Preserved from age to age; more precious far
Than that accumulated store of gold
And orient gems which, for a day of need,
The Sultan hides deep in ancestral tombs
These hoards of truth you can unlock at will.

Also one from Kansas:

This is the gospel of labor—ring it ye bells of the kirk—
The Lord of Love came down from above, to live with
the men who work.

This is the rose that he planted, here in the thorn-
cursed soil—

Heaven is blest with perfect rest, but the blessing of
earth is toil.

A nugget of thoughtful wisdom is applied to a universal
problem under Louisiana:

We have yet to learn what to do with our children
after they reach the age of sixteen years.

This from North Dakota:

The slogan of the Foundation is: "An education should
be an investment for service."

Washington puts a potential truth picturesquely:

I want to change now my text and instead of it reading
"A man shall be a covert from the tempest", have it
read, "A Mason shall be a covert from the tempest."

Canada at Ottawa is reviewed fraternally. He speaks
of the welcome to many visitors, their addresses, the history
of the City of Ottawa given in the Grand Master's com-
posite address and quotes a verse in connection therewith:

Thus oft, as on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude—
And then my heart with rapture fills
And dances with the daffodils.

He praises our benevolent grants and our approaching
75th Anniversary; and adds:

Bro. Ponton's report is full of interest and information.

PENNSYLVANIA

J. Willison Smith, R.W. Grand Master.

John A. Perry, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A special Communication was held at Pittsburgh,
December 29th, 1928, for the purpose of "making Masons at
sight" Andrew W. Mellon, Richard B. Mellon and Richard
Coulter, all of whom received their three degrees at one
time. Bro. George P. Darrow acting as guide. The Gov-
ernor of the State had formerly also been made a "Mason
at sight".

The Committee on By-laws recommended that the fee
for all three degrees by dispensation to Lodges should be
\$150 of which \$40 will be for Grand Lodge Homes.

Wonderful tributes were given to Deceased Brethren.
Of Bro. Donaldson it was said:

He brought to the discharge of his duties a ripe business judgment and a clear conception of the importance of the work being done by the Homes.

This minute is place on our records as a sincere tribute to his worth as a man and his devotion to our Fraternity.

And of plain John Smith this glowing and vivid tribute is recorded.

Brother John Smith was building two brand new factories.

One was in Philadelphia, to make candy. It turns out the best products of its kind; but, in years to come, its walls will crumble, its machinery will be junked, its very existence will be forgotten.

But the other was a man factory at Elizabethtown in the Susquehanna hills, and that is John Smith's real monument. By the grace of God and the help of the Craft, through untold ages it will go on in its work of fashioning and moulding homeless and dependent little boys into capable and self-reliant American men.

What manner of man was this, our departed Brother?

His was no form of distinguished bearing, of imposing stature, towering above the crowd. At the first glance, was nothing but a little old man, bent from accident, quick of step, marked only with a kindly smile and a cordial greeting.

But to those of us who had known him well for a quarter of a century, and had worked with him, and had planned with him, and had helped him bring his business and philanthropic ideals to the fruition of accomplishment, there was nothing of the common-place in this man who bore the most ordinary of names.

Brother Smith in his business, was a hard-headed man of affairs; but in his great charity he was a practical idealist with a rare gift of far prevision.

Without boys of his own blood to carry on his name and his business, he yet could see John Smith's boys going forth into the world of work, brave men, able men, honest and Godly men.

The Royal Arch and the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania having so revised their laws that as a pre-requisite, a petitioner for Degrees shall be a Past Master, it was enacted that the Past Master's Degree—properly termed in this jurisdiction "the installation of a Worshipful Master" may be given. After that they may pass to the Chair their members who are Master Masons of six months' standing in accordance with ancient usage, for a fee of \$10.

Quarterly Communication was held September 4th, 1929. Plans for the new Masonic Temple are coming into shape and seven new members, among them Perry and Quinby, were added to the Building Committee.

Deeds of gift from philanthropic Masons who, reserving a life interest, are making during their lifetime donations to the Homes, are set out in full, commemorative of that wonderfully generous philanthropy which distinguishes this Jurisdiction. We note an Insurance Trust by which Life Insurance is set aside also for this purpose.

Quarterly Communication held at Philadelphia, December 4th, 1929. 457 lodges were represented.

The Endowment Fund of the Homes is over \$193,268. apart from the beneficial legacies and trusts recorded. Each bequest and each trust is administered separately and so accounted for.

\$5000 was allotted to the Almoners of Grand Lodge and \$5000 to the Lecture Corps..

Among the articles received by the Museum is a Canadian Chapter collar and apron. We did not know that we wore such curiosities! What about the scarf, without which the Regalia is not complete!

Where the Father is living, but unable to support the children, there is a Fund which helps by a fifty-fifty contribution.

The helpful and voluntary services of Medical brethren and Opticians at the Homes is gratefully acknowledged.

The Libraries of the Homes alone, apart from the general magnificent Library, contain 16,614 volumes, all donated by friends of the Homes. Let us all do likewise when opportunity comes.

The Grand Master says with practical vision:

The importance of the early establishment of a large Endowment Fund cannot be too strongly urged upon the consciences of the Brethren of Pennsylvania and it would not be too ambitious upon Grand Lodge to think in terms of a \$10,000,000 Endowment Fund.

On the finances of the lodges he adds these wise words:

The establishment of annual dues sufficient to meet the proper expenses of the lodges and the avoidance of extravagance in social functions, and wise financial management by the Worshipful Masters, will go far to continue the confidence found in the wise established principle of "pay as you go".

Then follow many pages devoted to the original service held 150 years ago by William Smith D.D., Grand Secretary, one page of which was dedicated to George Washington.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY
GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq.
GENERAL AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE
ARMIES OF THE UNITED STATES OF
NORTH AMERICA;
THE FRIEND
OF HIS COUNTRY AND MANKIND
AMBITIOUS OF NO HIGHER TITLE
IF HIGHER WAS POSSIBLE
THE FOLLOWING SERMON
HONORED WITH HIS PRESENCE WHEN DELIVERED
IS DEDICATED
IN TESTIMONY
OF THE
SINCEREST BROTHERLY AFFECTION
AND
ESTEEM OF HIS MERIT
BY ORDER OF THE BRETHREN

At the close of the last Grand Communication a memorial service was held. We take this from the invocation:

And I bid you pray for yourselves and all other brethren of the Craft, that we may avoid those things that are contrary to our profession, and may follow all such things as are agreeable to the same—that as we have entered into the labors of other men, and are profited thereby, so we may labor, that in their time other men may enter into ours, to the fulfilling of God's will and the bettering of the world.

This from the address of welcome:

If we are to maintain the great heritage which the fathers bequeathed to us; we must keep replenished the altar fires before which they worshiped.

Right heartily, then, we fling wide open the doors to you to this place this day; and bid you God-speed as you face the beckoning future.

Then followed an eloquent and appealing sermon from the Rev. Joseph Fort Newton, D.D., upon the text:

Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations; ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.—Deut. 32:7.

We make the following extracts:

Faith in God is its cornerstone, and upon such a basis it toils in behalf of all the finer values of life, making for personal worth and social stability.

History is the memory of mankind. Calmly she sets down the movements and achievements of the race, while her sister Legend, who is a poet, records the radiance of romance which invests events, like the halo about the heads of the Saints.

"As free and not using your liberty as a cloak of maliciousness: but as the servants of God." The sermon had three main points.

The Lord doth hate, yea, seven things that are an abomination to Him: "A proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, a false witness that speaketh lies and him that soweth discord among brethren."

No enemy threatens America from without; our only enemies are ourselves. The menace under which we live lies in a loss of spiritual faith, a lowering of moral ideals, and a lack of the vision to see that the good of humanity as a whole does actually exist. Today, as of old, without vision—without a white flame of insight to distinguish between the values of life, dividing the true from the false and flashy—the people perish. Our supreme need today is for something of the moral indignation of St. John the Baptist, and the consecrating and revealing love of St. John the Evangelist.

Truths make us men of faith and faithfulness—men who are brothers of their fellows and builders of a better, kinder, juster and more joyous world, in which liberty and laughter and charity and justice shall toil for the service of man and the glory of God.

If anyone in these latter years asks who has contributed most to the Craft in general we with one accord will answer Joseph Fort Newton.

Among the decisions given the following will be found of general interest:

Although appreciating the circumstances that led a lodge in the action it took in expelling without a trial, one of its members who was convicted and now serving his sentence in a Federal Penitentiary, and fully recognizing the fact that a member so convicted and sentenced is not worthy of retaining his membership in our Fraternity and should be expelled with the least possible delay; nevertheless, our law requires every brother, however grave the offense, must be given a fair trial in accordance with the procedure outlined in the Ahiman Rezon.

I therefore directed the action of the lodge be set aside, his name restored to the membership, and further directed that the lodge proceed with a trial in accordance with our Law.

Proper music at the proper time, without interference with the degree work is permissible, but before a lodge introduces instrumental music during the degree work, they must submit their ideas to the D.D.G.M., so that the introduction of improper music may be avoided, as well as to prevent the music from interfering with the degree work.

William S. Snyder was elected R.W. Grand Master. He made, as is the custom, an address immediately after installation, from which we take the following

A check on the officers and past officers of the clandestine body who attended the trial showed that all but two had at some time or other been rejected in our lodges. This proves that while some may be duped into going into this Clandestine body, most of their members go into it knowingly.

I shall devote my best efforts to carry forward the litigation now pending to a successful conclusion, and if I accomplish nothing more than stamping out Clandestine Masonry in this State, I shall feel that a great work has been accomplished.

This Grand Lodge has the honor of being the oldest Grand Lodge in America.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was in existence at least as early as June 24th, 1731.

I pray that I may have health to perform my duties well; courage to perform them fearlessly; modesty to perform them humbly.

Membership 214,185. Increase 1,439.

The Committee on Correspondence is composed of William Dick, Walter T. Taggart, Alfred Percival Smith, Jesse E. B. Cunningham and Theodore C. Knauff. In their introduction they show a conservative tendency:

The subjects discussed and the recommendations submitted in the several Jurisdictions bear a striking resemblance. One can generally tell in advance just what topics will be touched upon. It is the contrasting of the differently expressed views upon the prevailing subjects and teachings of Freemasonry that afford interest and enlightenment to the Committee.

The Conservatives and the Liberals are to be found in the ranks of Freemasonry just as they are in bodies politic.

We have referred to a number of these diversions from the "straight and narrow path" in our digest of the proceedings, but we venture to suggest that it might be well to "Stop, Look and Listen."

We read under the review of Alabama the following:

In speaking of cornerstones laying ceremonies, he says "we should cease the practice of pretending to lay a cornerstone after the building is practically or wholly finished

It is an anachronism to lay the "first" stone after the last one has been laid. In such case, instead of lowering the stone with dignity and solemnity into its proper position, it must with much tugging and puffing be slid into a crack that has been left in the wall."

Grand Master Street also deplores the "lack of imagination, euphony and Masonic significance" in the nomenclature of several of the lodges as wholly inconsistent with "a body of men engaged in the work of enlightening, improving or ameliorating the race".

DeWolf-Smith under British Columbia Review comes in for some gentle irony:

Chairman DeWolf-Smith, of the Foreign Correspondence, reviews the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and refers to the doubtful prerogative in making Governor Fisher a "Mason at Sight" and with a touch of sarcasm says that the newly-made Mason delivered an interesting address "full, we do not doubt, of Masonic love." He also comments on the "extension and varied" powers of the Grand Master.

Under Canada for 1928 we read with pleasure:

It is particularly good to hear that you have been greatly impressed by the enthusiasm and zeal of the Craft in all parts of your Jurisdiction, and I can say for England, as you say for Canada, that the prestige of Masonry is steadily increasing from year to year.

On the subject of Masonic Libraries the Grand Master has much to say.

Sixty-two Grand Jurisdictions are commented upon by Bro. Ponton in his admirably prepared word picture of their respective Grand Lodge proceedings.

Under Canada 1929 the Reviewers refer to the visit of the Grand Master to the North and the unforgettable impression made thereby. They speak also of the death of the late Sir John Morrison Gibson, an outstanding figure in Canadian modern history. The Memorial Fund receives approbation and our Review is termed generous and accurate.

England is thoroughly reviewed and he speaks of the visit of Sir Alfred Robbins as having been "fruitful of such pleasant memories". The mission to India has interested Pennsylvania, as it has all other Jurisdictions. Number five of the basic principles for Grand Lodge recognition by England will bear reprinting:

That the Grand Lodge shall have sovereign jurisdiction over the lodges under its control, i.e., that it shall be a responsible, independent, self-governing organization, with sole and undisputed authority over the Craft or Symbolic Degrees (Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master

Mason) within its jurisdiction; and shall not in any be subject to or divide such authority with a Supreme Council or other Power claiming any control or supervision over those degrees.

This from Missouri review:

We are all blind until we see
That in the human plan
Nothing is worth the making if
It does not make the man.
Why build these cities glorious
If the man unbuilt goes
In vain we build the work, unless
The Builder also grows.

On the Eastern Star this quotation:

With it, as an Order, separate and apart from Masonry, we can find no fault, but when it seeks to become an affiliate or appendage of Masonry, it is time we took action to keep our position and purposes intact.

Texas alone gives ample occasion for comment and quotation:

Masonry is an Institution, and its usages, customs laws and ancient regulations are fixed.

There must be no compromise with innovation.

Grand birthright of our sires,
Our altars and our fires
Keep we still pure.

He calls the D.D.G.M's the "eyes, arms and feet" of the administration.

PHILLIPPINE ISLANDS

Seldon W. O'Brien, M.W. Grand Master.

Newton C. Comfort, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Eighteenth Communication was held at Manila, January 28th, 1930.

Twelve Past Grand Masters embodied fidelity by their active presence—343 members of Grand Lodge present in addition to the Officers. A good showing.

Membership 6,646. Net loss 21. 102 lodges.

An unusually appealing prayer was offered by the Very Reverend Grand Chaplain, Faustino Manago:

Grant us, O God, courage and perseverance and keep us steadfast in the observance of our duties and obligations that we may always be true to the teachings of Masonry and be able to translate these into terms of actual service to our fellowmen. Do not let us falter in our endeavors, but spur us to further efforts that Masonry may not suffer

in our hands. Save us from indifference and procrastination and make each and every one of us a dynamic force in the dissemination of the sublime principles of our institution in our respective communities so that brotherly love, relief and truth may always prevail in every nook and corner of these Islands for the uplift of Masonry and the glory of Thy holy name.

Leo Fischer was as usual, appointed interpreter during the Communication.

A recess was declared to transact certain business of the Corporation, after which the Grand Gavel sounded and the business of Grand Lodge was resumed.

Quintin Paredes represented Canada. There was a record attendance of Grand Representatives, setting an example to other Jurisdictions.

In the Grand Master's welcome to them he said:

When our Most Excellent Grand Master, Solomon King of Israel, said that Truth was a divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue, he uttered the battle cry of Freemasonry.

May the golden links of the symbolic chain of brotherly affection which now stretches earth-wide binding us all together into a common bond of fraternity be never rent asunder.

In his message we read under Necrology:

Immemorial practice, for the brethren to pause from their labors at every general assembly of the Craft and express their reverence, and admiration for the virtues, the thoughts, the words and deeds of those beloved brothers who have ascended beyond this sphere of life into the realms of eternal peace.

The Shrine of Seattle applied for and were granted permission to hold a ceremonial in Manila.

The Cabletow, receives the highest praise. Leo Fischer is its Managing Editor. It is described as "the most constructive piece of work that has been performed so far by our Grand Master."

Under the General Condition of Masonry the Grand Master says:

To use a familiar expression, its golden harp has touched a sweeter chord. This time, its notes speak of truth, of service, of love, of unity of purpose, of good will, whose harmonies will promote its ideals and touch the hearts of our people.

One of the greatest problems that confronts Masonry in the Phillippines today is the education of its membership in the history and philosophy of Freemasonry.

Enable them to take the knowledge which has come from highly authenticated sources and remake it into a form which the average member of the lodge can understand and which will give him some enthusiasm for the organization of which he is a part.

Too much importance can not be given to the necessity of prompt, efficient, and honest administration of the affairs of the subordinate lodges.

He calls upon philanthropic increases in this as in other Jurisdictions:

Several cases have been brought to my attention where permanent provision will have to be made by lodges for the assistance not only of worthy brethren, but of the widows and children of deceased members.

The Grand Secretary is not statistical only. He closes his report with these verses:

Life is sweet—

Because of the friends we have made,
And the things that in common we share;
We want to live on—

Not because of ourselves,
But because of the people who care.

It is giving

And doing for somebody else.
On that all life's splendor depends.
And the joy of this world,
When you sum it all up,
Is the making and keeping of friends.

Grand Orator Rafael Palma delivered an eloquent oration, full of lofty thoughts:

Ever since the progress of science and machinery has vitally touched the social and economic life of peoples everywhere, the world has lived in the throes of constant turmoil, going through the processes of experimentation.

But religion has ceased to be an instrument of terror. It has become, as it should have always been, an influence of the Divine in the world and affairs of man.

God is an Unfathomable Enigma and the only way of knowing Him and of approaching Him is by reading His works and His laws as if Nature were a huge open book which He has placed within our reach that we may learn the secret of living in peace and happiness.

The old system is to blame our age for being materialistic, as if materialism were something degrading to man or something that stood in the way of his spiritual advancement. Materialism in itself is not bad.

All these conquests in the material sense have served not only to satisfy the material necessities of man but also

his moral and spiritual longings. There is an intimate relation between the material and the spiritual.

Thus, for example, the benefits of education, of intellectual leisure, of reading and travel were reserved in the olden days exclusively to the privileged classes.

It is no longer man as a mere creature of his environment; it is man, the conqueror, the builder, the "doer of things," always seeking truth and happiness.

The report on Grievances is a drama of tragedies. Many applications for restorations were received, most of them refused.

Vicente Carmona was elected Grand Master.

The records of the Proceedings close with these two appropriate verses:

Happy we met,
Happy we parted,
Happy may we meet again

But there's still work for you,
Work you only can do,
Press on 'til the goal has been made.

Leonard Wood Lodge, called after the great military leader, was constituted.

Grand Lodge attended the funeral of a Past Grand Master.

Walter M. Ross represents the Philippine Islands.

The Foreign Correspondence Review is in the able hands of Newton C. Comfort and Leo Fischer, the latter reporting upon those Jurisdictions that do not carry on their work in English. An able introduction precedes from which we make the following extracts:

Most all the foreign Grand Bodies have always permitted and encouraged dual and multiple membership.

Several more Grand Lodge have adopted the Grand Representative system. Now there are only three Grand Lodges which do not use the system, namely Iowa, New Mexico, and Wyoming.

The emphasis on the value of life and its betterment as being one of the principal aims of our institution is noticed in every Grand Master's address.

Job uses a symbol which, though he uses it in despair, is worthy of nobler interpretation. "My days", says he, "are swifter than the weaver's shuttle". We may for the moment forget the brevity of life and consider rather life as a rare fabric woven on the loom of time by the shuttle of the days, remembering what the shuttle weaves.

Take away the plough, the anvil, or the loom, and we should be plunged again into the Stone Age, clothed in skins, cold and hungry. The loomsman is indeed an "ancient and honorable craftsman"—he and his shuttle may teach us valuable lessons.

We learn, for instance, that the enduring fabric of life is made up of brief and apparently insignificant threads.

Life like a dome of many-colored glass,
Stains the white radiance of eternity.

Belgium is reviewed at length and we take these extracts from the Report as ours is one of the Grand Lodges that has declared non-intercourse with Belgium and therefore it is of special interest to note how they are carrying on:

The reports of the lodges are, to our mind, most calculated to give one an idea of the spirit and labor of Belgian Freemasonry. The social feature is not in evidence as it is with us. Great emphasis is laid on the intellectual side of Masonry. The lectures and debates are not confined to Masonry, but verse largely on scientific and other subjects. Beneficence is mostly left to the individual.

After considerable discussion, the Grand Orient rejected the petition for recognition of the so-called "Co-Masonry" or "Mixed Masonry" of France, an organization which admits women to membership.

If there has been any change in the situation with regard to the foreign Grand Lodges, it has been for the worse, several Grand Lodges having ceded to pressure brought to bear upon them and having suspended relations with the Grand Orient of Belgium. Belgium stands firmly on the Anderson Constitution of 1723 and hopes that with the time the Grand Lodge of England and other Grand Bodies will imbibe the spirit of tolerance shown by outstanding individuals in American Masonry.

In the review of Canada we appreciate being appreciated. The following extracts will be of interest to our readers:

We are glad to review Canada because, somehow or other, the last few years the Proceedings did not arrive. The Grand Master's name is quite appropriate in Spanish to one elected Grand Master, *Dar* meaning to give and the meaning of Gavel is well known; therefore, to give Gavel seems most appropriate for a Grand Master.

The entire volume is fascinating reading and we find that perhaps the most interesting things in the volume are the reports of the inspectors.

We thank the Canadian scribe for his particular treatment of our Proceedings and hope that all his comments and complimentary remarks may be deserved by events in the Philippines.

Ecuador has 8 Lodges with a membership of 620 and has been recognized by many Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master of Egypt is His Excellency Mahmoud Fahmy Kutry Pasha, who rules 75 lodges. The following taken from the review will be of interest:

The Report on Foreign Relations mentions the fact that through an error, the Grand Lodge of Connecticut exchanged Grand Representatives with the spurious Grand Lodge of Egypt, which mistake it rectified promptly. We know of several similar errors committed to the prejudice of Grand Lodge by other regular Grand Bodies, who recognized the spurious "Gran Logia del Archipiélago Filipino" in the mistaken belief that it was our universally recognized Grand Lodge. Among the 46 Grand Bodies of Masonry with which the National Grand Lodge of Egypt maintains fraternal relations, there are ten Grand Lodges of the United States of America.

We read under Spain:

In the purifying of the Grand Bodies from exterior domination, a number of them since that time have entirely separated from their original Scottish Rite Bodies and are now working as absolutely independent Grand Lodges, with a system similar to our own.

This under Venezuela:

There are twenty-six lodges of which five are in Caracas. A number of these lodges have Temples of their own and others "extensive ante-rooms". From the first moments that the school began operations, "the benches were occupied by a large number of young women and men who receive free of charge the eucharistic bread of education." Another Lodge, Fraternidad No. 4, also of Caracas, has established a free clinic in the Masonic Temple.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

George Elliott Full, M.W. Grand Master.

Ernest Kemp, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Fifty-fifth Communication was held at Crapaud, June 25th, 1930.

Canada's Grand Representative did not respond to official Roll Call.

This is a small Jurisdiction but eleven Past Grand Masters rallied to the support of the Grand Master in the East.

A bouquet of American Beauty roses was presented to the Grand Master by the Eastern Star.

The commissions of Western Australia and Costa Rica were formerly presented to the Grand Representatives of those Jurisdictions at the altar. This function is now being observed in most Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master in his address says that the year has been one of progress, peace and harmony. He speaks of those who have passed away as having left us a legacy of faith and example, the memory of which will assist us to carry on to meet the tasks which as Masons are our heritage and our responsibility. Well said!

He visited all but one of the lodges and the Grand Secretary visited all the lodges in the Jurisdiction and the attendance showed that Masonry is alive and strong.

On a disputed question of Jurisdiction the Grand Master ruled:

To Mt. Moriah Lodge: As brother B.—Fellowcraft is under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, the third degree must not be conferred without the consent of the Grand Lodge of Alberta."

He recommended that the Constitution be rewritten and reprinted and pointed out what he thought were contradictions therein.

There is a competition for proficiency in Ritual for which a shield is presented to the most excellent lodge.

He says some wise words in his conclusion.

No organization can stand the test of time unless the membership is in sympathy with its aims and purposes.

When Disraeli said that "high and honest impulse were the mainstay and main element of English character and these principles which made England great alone can keep her great," he was using the language of great statesmen.

We enjoy the privileges of democratic freedom of our Empire which is today in the leadership for the cause of peace as it was a few years ago leading the fight for the freedom of democracy against the principle that "might is right".

The Masonic accomplishment in Prince Edward Islands is the aggregate accomplishment of its individual members. They make it what it is and no more.

Serve man and raise him to high levels of thought and action.

Membership 1,242. Net increase 16.

The Grand Secretary acknowledges the regular receipt from Toronto of The Freemason.

Grand Lecturer Gordon appears to be the right man in the right place. We take this from his report:

There would appear to be room, for the adoption of a simpler and uniform, method of opening and closing lodges of Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts. Long forms become meaningless, monotonous, wearisome.

To that all-important phase of ritualistic work—enunciation and expression—more attention has been given.

The candidate is early told that he is being prepared as a perfect ashlar to be fitted into our Masonic structure. Yet many a careless stroke is given by incompetent workmen, to the ruin, perhaps, of the work we seek to do.

The Master Mason Degree was conferred or exemplified in every lodge on the occasion of the visits of the Grand Master.

Brazil, Ecuador and Czecho-Slovak were refused recognition for the present, the Committee on Foreign Relations saying in their report:

To quote their own words! "Thus adopting the same organization of Blue Masonry as in the United States of America, and breaking away in the whole country from the long condemned system of Grand Orients which brought such disastrous effects to Masonry. "

They describe the "GRANDE ORIENTE DO BRAZIL" as "the organization we abandoned."

They seem to forget that a child born out of wedlock may possess a strong physique and brilliant mentality, yet it lacks legitimacy.

Your Committee would suggest that this report contains all the attention these three Bodies require at the present time.

Reginald V. Harris of Nova Scotia, delivered a fine address on "Early Masonry" with the result that a Historical Committee was appointed.

Henry T. Begg was elected Grand Master and from his biography we learn that he has been for many years a Bank Manager.

Thomas Rowe of London, represents Prince Edward Island and Roy C. McLean of Souris, represents Canada.

QUEBEC

Henry Willis, M.W. Grand Master.

W. W. Williamson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Sixtieth Annual Communication was held in Montreal, 12th February, 1930. Nine Past Grand Masters, all familiar in our mouths as household words, were present and Canada was represented by M.W. Bro. J. Alexander Cameron.

An important part of the Proceedings is taken up by a special Communication which recorded the laying of the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple in Montreal and particularly the wonderful address of M.W. Bro., Rev. A. P. Shatford on "The Cornerstone of Masonry" which is a classic and which we abbreviate as follows:

If it is important that material edifices should be securely founded, how much more essential is it that social and moral temples should rest upon enduring foundations! Thrones have toppled because they were built upon tyranny, nations have collapsed because they were raised upon force, institutions have perished because they were founded upon bigotry and prejudice.

We have just laid one cornerstone today, but everybody knows that four cornerstones are necessary to support any building. Our ceremony is symbolic—it points to moral and spiritual foundations.

There can be no Masonry without faith in God.

The God of the Mason is a universal God—He is no tribal Deity. He is the God of the Christian, of the Jew, and of the Mohammedan; the Sovereign Ruler and Architect of the Universe.

A great God makes a great people, and Masonry seeks to keep the nature and character of God upon a high plane.

She is religious in every fibre of her being, in every movement of her life.

It over-rides our narrowness and ecclesiastical prejudices, and seeks to bind all men unto the unity of God's family.

"The essential Worth of Man. The second cornerstone is the dignity and value of man.

Our Order took its rise in the desire to express this sense of value in human personality. The least as well as the greatest was recognized.

Is not this a worthy principle to maintain in the world? We note too often the careless regard for human life, the way property is sometimes exalted above man, when all too often an institution is regarded as more essentially valuable than persons.

Max Muller tells us an interesting legend of man's divinity! The gods met and debated where they would hide it from man. One suggested the forests, another the sea, but it was feared that man would discover it as he is a great adventurer and explorer. Then one god, wiser than the rest, suggested that divinity be hidden in man himself as he would never think of looking for it there! Masonry, however, uncovers his divine.

Reverence for Law. That is the third cornerstone of the Masonic Order.

The Jews enthroned the Law upon the highest place and Masonry gives it a central position.

Now, is it an advantage to have an Order today teaching its members respect for law? Is not "Duty" one of the golden words of our language?

Obligation to Service. This is the fourth conerstone of Masonry.

Character is developed in the interests of a nobler ministry. All his solemn pledges bind him to fraternal sympathy.

The Master of life drew the veil of the future aside and showed us the beauty of such a ministry in the unforgettable words, "Ye did it unto Me." No reward has been offered him who paints a picture or writes a poem—it was reserved for him who visits the sick, feeds the hungry, clothes the naked.

These four are cardinal factors—belief in one God, respect for every man, reverence for law and obligation to service. The stone has been laid in the North-East Angle, for the North is the place of darkness and the East is the source of light. We are advancing from the North to the East, ever learning.

Upon the stone were scattered corn and wine and oil, for these were the supports of life in the land where Masonry had its birth.

Build thee more stately mansions O my soul,

While the swift seasons roll,

Let each new temple, nobler than the last,

Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast

Till thou thyself art free,

Leaving thine out-worn shell by life's unresting sea.

Canada in Ontario was represented by M.W. Bro. Dargavel, R.W. Bro. Logan, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. A. Heron. They were introduced by M.W. Bro. Cameron.

The Grand Master in his address speaks of the special Communication of Grand Lodge, who conducted the funeral of the late M.W. Bro. Charles McBurney, a veteran educationalist, who was called over the hills of time and into the valley of endless years, in his prime at the age of 55 years. The Grand Master paid this tribute:

For over thirty years he gave of himself freely in forming the manners and habits of youth and fitting them for usefulness in future stations. A teacher he was in the finest sense of the word. True of heart and with sincere motives he served God and his brother man.

Of his visit to us the Grand Master says:

I again acknowledge the generous hospitality extended to me by the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. I was an interested spectator and renewed old friendships.

Referring to the new Masonic Temple he says:

Brethren let us always bear in mind that this Temple is a memorial erected to the Masons who died for "King and Country."

A fine address was delivered by the Grand Chaplain, Very Rev. Dean A. H. Crowfoot, D.D., who refers to the new Temple in Montreal in choosing his text:

They might well say as they gaze up at its magnificence "What mean ye by these stones?"

He makes an interesting note of the library of Charles J. Stewart, Lord Bishop of Quebec from 1825 to 1836, well known as "the Apostle of the Eastern Townships", and quotes from a sermon preached by him to the Select Surveyors' Lodge No. 9 held in the Seignory of St. Armand, Lower Canada, at the Festival of St. John in 1811. This was one of the treasures found among the literary remains of the Bishop.

We make the following further quotations from the address:

I do not think it is possible to overstate the contribution which Masonry can make and is making toward binding the Dominion together.

The second contribution which I think Masonry can make, and indeed is making to the Canada of the future is the offer of disinterested public service.

In this connection one recalls with pride the splendid schools and orphanages, supported by our English brethren, which one can see from the train, as one travels from Liverpool to London.

The third task that lies before us is to "take the cities," the cities are the places where men meet together for business, where the markets are held, and where the main part of the country's commerce is conducted. We as Masons must capture the cities. That is to say we must make them places where the Masonic virtues of justice and fair play find full scope.

In your hearts enthrone Him

There let Him subdue

All that is not holy,

All that is not true;

Crown Him as your Captain

In temptation's hour;

Let His will enfold you

In its light and power.

Membership 15,822. Net gain 310.

Grand Secretary Williamson reports that the roll now shows 90 Lodges in all.

H. Julius Goldberg applied for leave to change his name to H. Julius Gordon, producing a copy of an Order of the

City Court of the County of New York certified by the Judge, and the report approving of this change to Gordon was adopted by Grand Lodge, including the necessary changes to be made on the books of Corinthian Lodge. In the opinion of this Reviewer such changes of names which are asked for largely for commercial purposes, and which indicate a dissatisfaction with their own father's name, ;(if not that they are ashamed of it,) should not be encouraged in any way. There is apparently beginning in Masonry as there has been in Academic circles, a desire to adopt Anglo-Saxon and especially Scottish names by those who do not wish to bear any longer the name of their father and mother. The object must be apparent.

William Mason Couper was proclaimed and saluted as Grand Master.

Our Grand Master, R. B. Dargavel represents Quebec with us.

QUEENSLAND

W. H. Green, M.W. Grand Master.

C. H. Harley, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The new Temple being erected at Brisbane is one of the chief subjects treated of and it was proposed to raise £80,000 on loan for this purpose.

One verse of the opening anthem is as follows:

May our work begun in Thee,
Ever blest with order be;
And may we, when labours cease,
Part in Harmony and Peace.

W. P. Bice, Pro Grand Master of Victoria, was introduced. Then followed the reception of His Excellency Lord Stonehaven, Grand Master of New South Wales.

Grand Master elect W. H. Green was then duly installed, the ceremony briefly described as follows:

The Grand Master-elect was then presented by the V.W. Grand Director of Ceremonies, after which the V.W. Grand Chaplain offered solemn prayer. His Excellency M.W. Bro. Lord Stonehaven then administered the obligation and personally raised the Grand Master-elect.

After which this anthem was sung:

May he our laws defend,
Our power for good extend,
Our Master, guide and friend,
So mote it be!

May wisdom from on high
Bind fast our mystic tie.
So mote it be!

May we united stand,
And join throughout the land
With Apron, Heart and Hand:
So mote it be!

Referring to the tragic death of Grand Master Stumm, K.C., the Grand Master said:

As we cherish his memory, may every brother renew his solemn vows and step forward, recharged for human service, and unswervingly faithful to the high principles of our noble, antient, and honourable Order!

Membership 21,951.

He concluded his address by saying "here stand the best of Masonic manhood, here every Jewel of Justice is guarded."

His Excellency Baron Stonehaven, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, delivered a fine address from which we take the following extracts:

I am a bit of a wandering Mason and I think that I have seen Freemasonry under more varied conditions than even the most active of any of you, and I am bound to say that the more I see of it the greater confidence I feel in the future of the Dominions and the future of the Empire of which this Continent is so important a part, because I recognize and may state without exaggeration that no country can go very far wrong in peace or in war if it counts many Freemasons amongst its citizens, and if Freemasonry is a live force as it is throughout Australia.

Masonry is the most wonderful mixer in the world. If ever there was a time in the history of the world, if ever there was a time in the history of the Empire, when we need a good mixer—an invaluable man, an invaluable element—it is now. The exigencies of mankind and the relationships between men may occasionally become embittered; the machine may become irregular in its work, and what is wanted is someone who is able to make it work smoothly.

In these days when there is a tremendous amount of competition and high demand of all kinds and the necessity of making allowances for everybody's feelings, we must at the same time learn to work as a team, and whilst making these allowances for the feelings of others, yet we must learn to pull always and together on the one side.

The first and the elemental reason is that I like it.

The second is that I do it as a sound thing for a citizen to do.

And thirdly, I do it, because I believe it is helping me to discharge my duties in representing his Majesty the King, and because it brings me personally into contact with those amongst whom I have the privilege of so representing him.

The Permission to Ballot Committee held six meetings and considered 410 requests. 41 were held over on account of irregularities and omissions by Lodge Enquiry Committees.

Quarterly Communication was held at Brisbane, December 4, 1929, with a large attendance.

Considering the Third Australian Masonic Conference and the Report of the Board of General Purposes, the President said:

You will notice, M.W. Grand Master, that Clause 5 deals with the Order of the Eastern Star, and the recommendations of the Conference are as follows:

(a) That no Freemason be permitted to attend any meeting of, or be member of the Order of the Eastern Star

(b) That no meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star be permitted in any lodge room.

The Grand Lodge of New South Wales is still considering this matter; Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania have adopted the recommendations.

It must be kept clearly in mind that the Order is not a co-worker with Freemasonry. At the Conference there was a decided objection to there being any connection between the two Orders. There was no objection to the Order of the Eastern Star as a body, but there was a decided opinion that Freemasons, in the capacity of a Freemason should be debarred from any activity in the Order.

I do say that at the Conference it was stated that the members of the Eastern Star have canvassed our members, and they have joined that Order as Freemasons.

Many visitations were held, as to which he says, emphasizing Country Lodges:

Over sixty Country Lodges have been visited, and some eight thousand miles travelled by rail and car during these journeyings.

They form an important part in the Grand Design of Freemasonry, and by the personal touch of the Grand Master they are linked in a full, perfect, and perpetual union with the United Grand Lodge of Queensland.

Quarterly Communication March 5th, 1930.

President Nevill of the Board of General Purposes, again referring to the Eastern Star said:

The Ancient Landmarks of the Order cannot be altered by the individual or by a body of Freemasons assembled in Grand Lodge. Wor. Brethren will remember that one of those land-marks is that Freemasonry is solely an association of men, and that women cannot be admitted into our lodges. It follows that as Freemasons we have no right whatever to join an association where women are admitted as members.

For this reason the Board recommends Grand Lodge to instruct all Freemasons under its jurisdiction that "As Freemasons" they cannot join an association where women are admitted as members. I now move the adoption.

The Grand Master:—I think this suggestion practically conforms to the suggestions and expressions made at the last Grand Lodge Meeting that "as a Freemason" no one can join the "Order of the Eastern Star". It does not in any way conflict with the personal rights of every citizen, but we do claim that no organization should make it a qualification for anyone entering it that he be a Freemason.

The new Grand Hall in the new Temple will have a seating accommodation of 1,200.

Grand Master Green was re-elected.

Quarterly Communication June 4th, 1930.

Many new appointees were recommended and honoured with Past Grand Rank.

The installation of officers took place July 17th, 1930.

There is no Correspondence Report.

RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Arthur S. Vaughn, M.W. Grand Master.

Harold L. McAuslan, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A special Communication was held to lay the cornerstone of the building of Roger Williams Lodge, a name full of historic association.

P.G.M. Collins was worthy of the occasion:

We are not unmindful of our many obligations to all our fellow men. We are here united for the purpose of perfecting ourselves by helping others. Joined together though we be by the strongest ties, it is not for a selfish purpose. Our thoughts are not of rivalry or of worldly gain. We seek to help and not to injure others. Freemasonry knows neither political, racial or religious bounds.

At another special Communication P.G.M. Collins said:

Freemasonry, like the establishment of all great truths, has been of slow development. It has come to us through a process of slow changes, some reverses and many advances. This is as it should be. Nothing that is worth while is created in a day. All the things of life that are of true value are the results of slow growth.

Why has Freemasonry survived? It is because its aims are true and its practices are worthy. Its principles are so flexible and changing as to meet the various conditions of life in every age and in every realm.

The semi-annual Communication was held 18th November, 1929.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported vigorously:

While this Committee appreciates that there is much to be said in favor of friendly and fraternal visitations, it cannot overlook the opportunity afforded to emphasize the fact that such exemplifications are merely exhibitions, and cannot be utilized by the local Lodge as a substitute for its own degree work on its own candidates.

The One Hundred and fortieth Communication was held in Providence, May 19th, 1930.

The Grand Master in the opening of his address quoted:

We shall stand before the Orient,
And our Master will be there
To try the lives we offer
By his own unerring square.

A prudent precaution was taken by the Grand Master with regard to temporalities:

As it has been several years since an inventory has been taken of the property and paraphernalia belonging to Grand Lodge, I instructed our Grand Secretary to compile a new list. This he now has on file in his office.

Membership 19,132. Net increases 111.

A splendid array of fifteen Past Grand Masters were present doing duty.

Clarence P. Bearse duly represented Canada.

I.P.G.M. Vaughn was elected Grand Treasurer and Henry Smith See was elected Grand Master.

The Grand Master of Connecticut and other visitors delivered happy addresses.

The Masonic Service Board reported:

We feel that one swallow does not make a summer, and can point to many cases where co-operation on the part of the employer has resulted very beneficially to all concerned, also to the fact that some firms with no Masonic affiliation are glad indeed to seek quality help through our Bureau.

Among the memorial pages we read:

Worthy of their sires,
Men who never shame their mothers,
Men who never fail their brothers,
True, however false are others;
Give us Men—I say again,
Give us Men!
God defend the right!

True as truth tho lorn and lonely,
 Tender as the brave are only;
 Men who tread where saints have trod,
 Men for Country—Home—and God;
 Give us Men! I say again—again—
 Give us Men!"

The Report on Foreign Correspondence says:

There seems to be a tendent movement in the Grand Lodges of many foreign countries to seek fraternal recognition. Your Committee regard this as a movement looking in the right direction, and are heartily in favor of granting recognition where our requirements are fully met. Our difficulty, however, lies in the inability to obtain the necessary information regarding the Bodies.

We have experienced the same difficulties but problems like this exist only to be solved.

SASKATCHEWAN

J. Orville Clarke, M.W. Grand Master.

W. B. Tate, M.W. Grand Secretary.

The Twenty-fourth Communication convened in Moose Jaw, June 18th, 1930, Twelve Past Grand Masters, most of them familiar names to us, testified to the longevity and loyalty of Saskatchewan. Canada was represented by M.W. Bro. Dr. A. S. Gorrell.

Mimeographed copies of the Regulations of Grand Lodge were placed in the hands of all delegates and taken as read.

Mayor Pascoe, a brother Mason, welcomed Grand Lodge on behalf of the City, saying:

You have come here for a definite purpose in the interest of others. Your discussions will be along the lines of trying to make the pathway of life a little smoother for the Brothers who have not been quite so fortunate as ourselves.

Take time to see our city for we have many things of interest to show, especially to those who have come from a distance. Note the foundations we have laid down upon which we will build a great city of the future. Our churches, our schools, the new Normal School, the finest in the West.

Note the confidence the C.P.R. Company has shown in Moose Jaw by laying miles of steel trackage in their yards.

The four Moose Jaw Lodges also presented an unusually thoughtful address of welcome:

The growth of Masonry in this Jurisdiction has been steady and encouraging. Since its inception 51 years ago,

its membership has grown to approximately 15,000; that is, on the average, one Mason has been added to the Craft each working day since 1879.

Our civilization is then the sum total of all the varied experiences of past generations and civilization. With this growing complexity there have come many problems. Man, from his very nature, endeavours to solve these problems. He searches for the truth of things; he ever reaches out for light, more light, and further light. Out of this endeavour institutions have evolved—the home, the church, the school, legislatures, parliaments, leagues, clubs, fraternities, organizations without number. If it does not assist in solving some problems of life then we are not justified in exerting energy to maintain it.

Grand Lodge has a double function; First, as the head and machinery of the constituent Lodges, it co-ordinates their efforts and tends to perpetuate their work; second, what the local lodge is to the community, Grand Lodge is to the larger unit, the State.

In his introduction the Grand Master said:

Economically, we are experiencing a trying period throughout our entire Grand Jurisdiction. The success that has been attained by the lodges during the past year can be attributed to two elements in particular, namely: zeal and harmony, which are the strength and support of all institutions, but especially of ours.

He pays this tribute to Archdeacon Davidson, well known to us all in Ontario:

His charm of manner, outstanding ability, sparkling wit, kindly and generous disposition made him beloved by Masons and non-Masons alike. He was the personification of brotherly love, spreading sunshine and happiness to all who came within his sphere and practising without ostentation the great Masonic principles of charity and good will toward all men. As an eminent divine, a Mason, a scholar, a lecturer, his death is a distinct loss to Western Canada.

Commemorative of the honoured dead he quotes a poem

The Master Mason sleeps; the sleep of peace.

The evidence of perfect poise of body, mind and soul,

The Master Builder sleeps, nor heeds the hours.

The Master Builder sleeps, but still inspires.

He believes in and held many District meetings:

The fact that some made a round trip of four hundred miles to be present is conclusive evidence that the Craftsmen are zealous in the cause of Masonry and anxious not only to meet their Brethren, but do derive whatever benefit to themselves and their respective lodges that may accrue from such gatherings. The credit for this is largely due to our Grand Secretary.

Freemasons are Community Builders.

Plan for the future and to carry these plans and ideals into realities. I, therefore, urged them—and this was the keynote of my message—to greater efficiency in at least such important phases of activity as:

1. The Selection of New Material.
2. Masonic Study and Education.
3. Conduct of Lodges.
4. Exclusive premises or homes.
5. Practical application of Masonic Teachings.

He urges the ownership of Masonic Temples as the Men's House, saying convincingly:

Next to home for himself and his family, every Mason should desire a home for his lodge which will give it a permanent meeting place—a home where the brethren may gather together, where the spirit of welcome may always be found, where the pride of possession may be given expression in a practical worth-while manner.

No lodge can feel thoroughly at home in premises shared with co-tenants any more than a private family can realize the fullest enjoyment and satisfaction of home life when sharing its rights and privileges with other families.

The erection of a Temple indicates to the world that the life of the lodge is strong and vigorous; that it has a vision of the future; that the members support it and are ready to make the necessary sacrifices in order that their lodge may have a suitable home of its own in which to meet and carry on its work.

Under Benevolence we find interesting matter:

It is of the nature of the truly great man to be charitable and merciful. Someone has beautifully said that when God in His eternal council conceived the thought of man's creation, He called to Him Justice, Truth and Mercy, the three ministers who wait upon the throne, and asked each one in turn, "Shall we make man?"

Then said Justice: "O God, make him not, for he will trample upon the laws." And Truth made answer: "O God, make him not, for he will defile the temples." But Mercy, raising her eyes through tears, said: "O God, make him, and I will be his companion and solace through all the dark ways he may have to tread." Then God made man, and placing His hands in those of Mercy, said to him: "Go and deal with thy brother."

To make the cause of duty
Stand forth in all its beauty;
To turn the orphan's wailing
To songs of joy unfailing;
To point the fallen brother
Away from sins that smother
To stars of hope above him

And loyal hearts that love him;
To make men's vision brighter
And all their burdens lighter;
To keep them from repining
While hope still brighter shining
Goes on to glad fruition—

This is the Mason's mission.

These two rulings are out of the ordinary:

That a Second or Third Degree may be conferred at any time during the twenty-eighth day after the conferring of the previous degree, provided the necessary qualifications as to proficiency have been complied with.

That all who enter the lodge must give the P.G. and P.W. of the degree, excepting the Grand Master in person.

Three dispensations for new lodges were issued.

One appreciative Grand Jurisdiction says that Saskatchewan leads the world in Masonic education. We quote:

Education is the development of the whole man, in body, mind and heart. Man has advanced intellectually in proportion to the development of the social quality in his nature, for only by exchange of thought is progress possible.

What makes you a Mason, O brother of mine?

It isn't the dueguard, nor is it the sign;

It isn't the jewel that hangs on your breast,

It isn't the apron with which you are dressed.

That you to your sworn obligation are true—

'Tis that, brother mine, makes a Mason of you,

Secure in your heart you must safeguard your trust.

With Lodge and with brother be honest and just.

The selection of material is the first and greatest responsibility:

We do not expect perfect men by any means, but we should insist on men who have already laid a foundation upon which we may build, men who are not decayed by the wrong living of years, men who have character and intellect sufficient to grasp the richness of the moral banquet which Masonry spreads before them! Let us have clean men!

The interests of the Institution might be well served if the Grand Lodge were to furnish some form of instruction or guide for the use of the brethren assigned from time to time the responsible task of reporting on petitioners for admission.

He thus concludes:

Masonry was never meant to be merely an ornamental tree; it was designed to bear fruit. It is, or should be, a combination of the ideal and the real. Its idealism can never be too high; its realism should never descend.

I regard our Institution as a great school of picked men—a Craft—bound together for mutual benefit and instruction in the science of morality and good citizenship.

The seventeen D.D.G.M's reported briefly.

Membership 14,867. Net gain 234.

A notable event was the Grand Secretary's visit to British Columbia when the Lieutenant-Governor, Cabinet Ministers and prominent Masons from Washington State were present.

R.W. Bro. J. R. Yorke presented the report on the Condition of Masonry which at once arrests the attention. We make the following extracts:

An easy laxity in admitting members is quite as harmful as the unfair use of the ballot, which results in the rejection of suitable material because of private rancour.

It is a mistake to suppose that moral fitness alone should be the test; sound judgment should also exercise its weight in the determination of eligibility.

Care in the selection of our membership is the first essential to success, followed by the need of equal caution in the selection of our officers and leaders. "He who would wear the spurs, must first earn them," applies here very forcibly.

The lessons of Prudence have charms,
And slighted, may lead to distress,
But the man whom Benevolence warms
Is an angel who lives but to bless.

The Social Hour in Masonry has many things to commend it and provides opportunities for the cultivation of good fellowship and educational purposes. Care should be taken, however, to avoid that competitive tendency among lodges which leads to lavish and costly entertainment.

Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hate therewith.

At the laying of the cornerstone of St. Barnabas Church, M.W. Bro. Williams delivered a forceful oration. We extract:

Within the workmen's cottages nestling against the walls of unfinished cathedrals towering above them, we discover our first Masonic Lodges, though we may go backward and ever backward through the dim aisles of tradition to the most ancient of days and there find traces of the practice of rights and ceremonies bearing some similarity to our own.

The temple of Freemasonry is the temple of upright human character. In that temple there is no place for the agnostic or the atheist, because on the part of each individual there must be faith in the Giver of all good, faith in

himself, faith in mankind and faith in the unlimited possibilities of human development.

Grand Chaplain MacKeigan delivered an address on "Look to the East", of the style and matter of which the following will be illustrative:

Their organizations were attractive to other than operative Masons, and so selected men were "accepted" as Masons. Surely accepted Masons are "free" today to explore the unfamiliar realms of thought. They are not rooted to the present attainments of their fraternity. They are free to think.

Plato again pictured men as not seeing the reality of things but only their shadows. "Look to the East". Face the light, and in the light of the growing day let us examine the three great tenets of our Fraternity.

O warden with the Plumb upraised,
What doth thy emblem teach?
Do all the Craft uprightly walk
And practice what they teach?

James McCauley, P.G.M. quoted:

To do whatever is our duty
And give it strength and give it beauty—
To be to men more nearly Brothers,
To be a bit more help to others.

Grand Master Hunter of Manitoba, delivered a fine message:

Masonry is a great moral force directed towards the making of a better citizenship by the simple but only effective method of making better citizens. It has come down to us through all the changing centuries, itself unchanged.

Lowell, in his poem "The Vision of Sir Launfal," beautifully portrays the ideal of service given in the right spirit.

The Holy Supper is kept, indeed,
In whatso we share with another's need;
Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare;
Who gives himself with his alms feeds three,
Himself, his hungering neighbor, and me.

Dr. Charles P. Moore was elected Grand Master.

The Committee on Education and Research present a summary of their good work well done. Some of the headings of this brief epitome of papers and addresses presented during the year will give an idea of its comprehensive matter:

Ancient mysteries—The Essenes.

At the time of Christ this society existed but probably not in its strongest days. Its strictness hindered its popularity.

The Roman Collegia.

Mediaeval Masonry—Story of the Guilds.

The First Grand Lodge—Afterwards called "The Moderns."

Freemasonry in Canada.

Dr. Goggin of Toronto, represents Saskatchewan.

The Foreign Correspondence Report is presented for the last time by M.W. Bro. Willoughby. We are sorry to part with our colleague.

His review of Canada refers to our finances, our cornerstones and especially to the Report on the Condition of Masonry, from which he largely quotes. He kindly calls our review one of the most able and painstaking and says that we evidently have a love of the work. He quotes largely from the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of England, especially with regard to Masonic clothing in public resorts and the wearing of unauthorized Masonic jewels. Speaking of the Universal League of Freemasons advertised to meet in Holland, the Grand Master enjoined caution upon such English Brethren who may attend and who in no circumstances must give the idea that they are representative of English Freemasonry.

This from the review of North Carolina as to average membership of lodges.

In the United States from 465 for the District of Columbia to 62 for Arkansas; in Sweden, 499; the United States, 200; Canada 145; Australasia, 105; England, 75; Ireland, 105; Scotland, 75.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Honourable Mr. Justice Napier, M.W. Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. His Excellency Brigadier-General The Hon. Sir Alexander Gore Arkwright Hore-Ruthven, V.C., K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., Grand Master-elect.

Charles R. J. Glover, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Proceedings opened with a fine cut of the firmly chiselled features of the great soldier and administrator who has been installed as Grand Master of South Australia.

Half yearly Communication was held in Adelaide, October, 16th, 1929.

£2,500 were voted from the general fund to the building fund.

Grand Master Napier formally presented the Commissions of two Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions. This ceremony is always emphasized in other Jurisdictions than our own.

He made some striking remarks about the difference between faith in action and theoretic faith, saying:

I need not remind you that our Order cannot content itself with the "Faith which lies dead in the breast." It is not sufficient to profess Brotherly Love while omitting to realize it in Relief.

To clear up any misconception that may exist and with a view to gathering the Craft together in the "Faith which is lovely and fruitful in bringing forth good works," I desire to point out that these appeals are not promulgated lightly or recklessly.

We should like to feel that the response comes from a fraternitly united by the common impulse towards Benevolence. The assurance is that in this respect the whole brotherhood is in union.

The conclusion of his address is well thought out:

The membership of the Grand Lodge and individual lodges shall be composed exclusively of men, and that each Grand Lodge shall have no Masonic intercourse of any kind with mixed lodges which admit women to membership.

You are familiar with the internal preparation which precedes the external, and you know that the secrets are subjective, not objective. The formula by which any secret is communicated is no more than the shell, the seed is that which is implanted to grow by the G. of T.G.A.O.T.U. in the heart already prepared.

The Annual Communication was held April 16th, 1930 M.W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice Napier on the throne.

Canada's Grand Representative did not answer the Roll Call.

With regard to the nomination of the new Grand Master the G.M. paid him this compliment:

His Excellency had been in the State for the past two years and had shown a very real interest in the Craft. He was one whom they were proud to welcome as a brother and he had endeared himself to everybody with whom he had come in contact.

From G. M. Napier's interesting and thoughtful address we make the following extracts:

We have been inclined to let things drift—to see the easy way—and to leave the future to look after itself. We shall be mistaken if we think that we can rely upon good season, or the intervention of Providence, to relieve us from our difficulties. It is "not to be thought of, that the flood of Freedom" should run to waste, and perish, in the sands of discord and self interest. The need of our time is for a sense of service, not here and there, but everywhere. We may have to think less of our rights, and more of our duties.

Even adversity has its compensations. Above all else adversity is the test of character and certainly adversity is Nature's school-master. "The virtue of prosperity is temperance; the virtue of adversity is fortitude, which, in morals, is the more heroical virtue." If this anticipation should be realized we ought to look upon it as an opportunity to be turned to account by consolidating our position, that is to say, if we are not making new Masons as formerly we shall have all the more time to make better Masons—of ourselves.

The lodge does not exist to amuse or to entertain.

I would remind every Master and Warden of a private lodge that he is supplied with a copy of our annual proceedings. In that volume any brother may find food for reflection, and the material for some advancement in Masonic knowledge.

Loyalty in observance your Grand Master may claim, as of right attaching to his office; but the goodwill which grants without question, and the charity which has overlooked the occasions—all too many—when desire hath outrun performance, are precious possessions, and it is these that I desire to acknowledge.

A special Communication for the installation of the Grand Master-elect was held at the North Terrace, May 16, 1930, in the presence of a large gathering of members and of distinguished visitors, among whom were M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Stonehaven and M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Somers. These visiting Grand Masters were greeted with a fanfare of trumpets and saluted with Grand Honours.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Napier was appointed Pro Grand Master immediately by the new Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice Piper proposed the toast to His Excellency the Governor General of Australia, Lord Stonehaven, saying:

In the high office he held, His Excellency, by honouring the Craft and accepting office in New South Wales as Grand Master, had really done a great service to the Commonwealth.

Lord Stonehaven in his eloquent response said:

As for the present Grand Master of the South Australian Grand Lodge it would be difficult for him to look back upon the days when they did not know each other. Both went to school together in the "back blocks" of Scotland. Both were at an institution on the Thames and spent a number of years there. He jocularly added "He was much more distinguished than I was, but neither of us were star turns.

Their M.W. Grand Master served in Gallipoli, and when that fact was mentioned one had said enough. The

Great War was an appropriate demonstration of Brotherhood of the nations within the British Empire.

He hoped the roots of patriotism, which linked each section of the Empire together, would grow stronger and stronger. The tendency had been to make the ties between the Motherland and British Communities as slight as possible, but everything had to be kept alive.

So long as the traditions which had come from the Old Country were maintained he believed the Empire would remain solid because it embodied the wishes and hopes of those who framed British tradition.

Being an Australian was a much better thing than being merely a South Australian. That they were connected with the British Empire was the greatest thing of all.

The Pro Grand Master proposed the toast to the Grand Master in the following words:

Freemasonry instructs us to think for ourselves, and, without attempting to dictate to others how they should think, it requires us—where we can—to put them upon the way to right thinking. The time has come when it should be brought home to every loyal subject in the British dominions—whether in Britain or beyond the Seas—that in recent years we have been drifting into a new convention of the Constitution, which may easily lead to unexpected consequences, if its proper implications are ignored. By this convention the greater Dominions are becoming self-governing in fact as well as in name, and it must follow that our common allegiance and loyalty to the Throne of England is becoming the only permanent link which holds this Empire together.

Brethren, you will not take your loyalty for granted—you will not despise the unseen forces of sentiment, and you will hold fast to that which you find good.

We have seen how he wears the title of brother with such simplicity and dignity—that it becomes him as a title of honor, and apart altogether from the tongue of good report, which had already been heard in his favor, we have seen for ourselves how earnestly and ably he has discharged the duties of the highest office in the State, and how he has endeared himself to all classes and conditions of men.

The greatest satisfaction of all will be to feel that his association with the Craft has been, as I feel that he intends it to be, a service to the State—that this Grand Lodge has been (under his rule) a real power for good in the community.

The response of the new recipient of the honours of South Australia was in every way worthy. We make the following extracts:

I have a very limited experience in the Craft, but that experience has been sufficient to bring home to me very

forcibly that it is only after a long period of probation and study, in fact after a lifetime of Freemasonry that anyone can be really fitted to influence and guide so great an Institution.

Governors are here to-day and gone to-morrow' but judges, fortunately, for our moral behaviour, are always with us.

The more I have seen the more convinced I have become as to the value of the Craft as a rallying point of some of the best and soundest elements in the State.

Freemasonry is the oldest and strongest stronghold of the spirit of benevolence, fraternity and subordination that the world has ever known.

When other institutions are being cast aside, when many old beliefs and customs are being scrapped, Freemasonry continues to grow and to attract men of high ideals and character as never before.

The order of procedure shows that many odes were sung, the first being:

Hail! Eternal, by whose aid
All created things were made,
Heaven and earth Thy vast design;
Hear us, Architect Divine.

This was the order of the processional:

TRUMPETERS

DEPUTY GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES
TWO GRAND STEWARDS

THE GAUNTLETS AND APRON OF THE GRAND MASTER
(borne by a Grand Steward)

THE COLLAR AND JEWELS OF THE GRAND MASTER
;(borne by the Grand Steward)

GRAND SWORD BEARER

GRAND	THE GRAND MASTER	GRAND
DEACON	ELECT	DEACON

Following installation the brethren thus vibrantly responded in song:

May wisdom from on high,
Bind fast our mystic tie.
So mote it be.

May we united stand,
And join throughout the land,
With apron, heart and hand.
So mote it be.

May Masonry beneath thy guidance bring,
Content where e'er its mystic light may shine;
And may the wisdom of that mighty king,
Whose throne you fill inspire our hearts and thine.
So mote it be.

A. M. Heron of Toronto, represents South Australia, Rev. M. Williams, P.G.W., represents Canada.

Many Reviewers prepared the Correspondence Report and the review of England again draws to attention quasi-Masonic Bodies who are beoming especially active.

The State funeral two miles long given to the late M.W. Bro. Stumm in Queensland is vividly described.

An extract from the Review of British Columbia:

Faith in our ultimate success and confidence in the sincerity of our brethren are essentials of a firm foundation.

Apparently with approval the Reviewer of Canada speaks of our practice becoming more general of setting apart certain regular or special meetings for particular purposes. He quotes with approval the Board's deprecation of the custom prevailing in so many lodges of lineal succession in offices. They apparently appreciate the Grand Master's address and also the fact that we gave five pages in our last Review to South Australia.

Lieut. Peary is used to illustrate a great truth applicable to the Craft under the Review of Louisiana as follows:

"Night and day, night and day I hear some thing calling, calling, calling me and I must go." "Brethren, I have spoken from my heart to your hearts to accept this call and assume faithfully your task in the lives of men!"

This from the Review of Ohio strikes home:

He was much concerned over the fact that Masonry was, in that Jurisdiction, advertised as a medium for obtaining business and promoting raffles, parties and other functions. Cheapen it, drag its banners in the mire, expose it to ridicule and misunderstanding and you write its epitaph.

SOUTH CAROLINA

W. A. Giles, M.W. Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A Special Communication was held to conduct the funeral of the late M.W. Bro. Sheppard.

Grand Lodge also held a special Communication to instal the officers of eight lodges and thereafter to confer the Past Master's Degree.

On March 13th, 1930, a devotional service was held by Grand Chaplain Harmon, when the Scottish Rite Quartette sang "The Heavens are Telling the Glory of God."

From the Grand Chaplain's thoughtful and eloquent address we take these paragraphs:

And Solomon determined to build an house unto the Lord.

This matter of decision, of determination of purpose, is fundamental in the building of character.

It is in the exercise of it that character is built. Success hangs upon decision and action.

Hamlet is wholly wrong. "To be, or not to be," is not the question. The matter of being has already been fixed by the all-wise Creator. The supreme question is "to do, or not to do." Hamlet's failure lay in his refusal to exercise his sovereign power to decide what to do, and to do it.

And Solomon said, "The house that I build is great, because great is our God."

This is the secret that lies back of every great and worthy character that has been built. A man with a great conception of life will build a great life.

And Solomon sent unto Hiram, King of Tyre, saying: "Send me now therefore a man, cunning to work."

A wise man is one who knows that he does not know it all and that he is dependent to a large extent upon every other man.

Thus we begin to appreciate afresh the value of the Five Points of Fellowship, and to seek through them such contribution from our fellows as will enrich and adorn the temple of life that we are building.

"And Solomon brought up the ark."

It was a new temple that Solomon had built, but it was the old ark that he brought into it. You can build a new temple, but you cannot build a new Bible.

And it came to pass that when Solomon had finished the building of the temple, the Glory of the Lord filled the house.

We could not expect it to be otherwise. And this glorious assurance awaits every man who preserves the same determination and ideal in the building of his life.

The One Hundred and ninety-third Communication was held in Charleston, March 12th, 1930. Canada's Grand Representative did not respond to Roll Call.

North Carolina was well represented.

The Grand Master's address does not readily lend itself to quotation but the Brethren will be interested in the following:

We meet to interchange the greetings of an exalted friendship, to counsel, admonish and strengthen one another in the discharge of our duty and to deliberate upon the means best adapted to promote the objects for which we are associated.

Masonry would be better off and the individual Masons be better served and satisfied if quite a number of our small country lodges would consolidate.

Of the present condition in South Carolina, as in so many of the States, we read:

We were very much handicapped by the financial conditions among the farming class, owing to short crops and low prices, hence many of the small country lodges were unable to contribute.

This encouraging letter was received:

As Executive Secretary of the State Board of Health it gives me great pleasure to transmit to you the appreciation of the Board of the wonderful work which has been done by the Masonic Lodges of South Carolina in educating the people of the State to the necessity of caring for the tuberculosis sufferers.

He was rigorous in discipline:

I refused to grant a dispensation to confer the Master Mason's Degree upon six candidates, as none of the six had served a sufficient time as Fellow Crafts.

Of the Masonic Service Association and its potentialities in the future we read with interest, as shedding a light upon the much debated centralizing power:

Many of us remember how humiliated and chagrined we were during the World War, when the Masonic Fraternity could not get a look in, nor were we allowed to do anything for the assistance or the welfare of the thousands of Masons who went across in the American Expeditionary Forces. This brought about the organization of the Masonic Service Association, its main purpose being to always have some central body through which we could all function in case of like trouble.

In the meantime, the Association entered into the Educational features, and through the system developed and promulgated by it, every Grand Lodge which has any form of Masonic education, and most of them do, are indebted for much of their ideas and material to this Association. This itself would have justified its existence.

But in addition most of you are familiar with the record it made in the two Florida hurricanes, and that of Porto Rico and also in the great Mississippi flood. Had it not been for the Association the splendid manner in which funds were collected and dispensed at so small an expense could not have been accomplished so quickly or so thoroughly.

Membership 29,032. Net loss 662.

The Educational Committee report:

All educational work is a slow process and its results are revealed by the slow process of time, reaction and unconscious development and growth. This fact is to be taken into account in any judgment that may be passed upon our efforts.

We have no desire to endeavor to force upon the Craft any mechanical method that the Craft is not willing to accept and support.

The success of our work is on the knees of the gods. Continue it, and it will prove worth while.

The Memorial to Orlando Sheppard, P.G.M., is an eloquent tribute which is not merely personal but a generic sermon:

See, what grace was seated on this brow:
A combination, and a form, indeed,
Where every god did seem to set his seal,
To give the world assurance of a man.

"What is man?" Carlyle cries. And the satisfying answer comes, "A soul, a spirit, a Divine Apparition. Round this mysterious me there lies a garment of flesh contextured in the Loom of Heaven; deep-hidden is he under that strange garment; amid sounds and colors and forms: yet it is sky-woven, and worthy of a God. Stands he not thereby in the center of Immensities, in the conflux of Eternities? He feels; power has been given him to know, to believe. The true Skekinah is man."

Right is right, as God is God,
And right the day shall win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin.

A Past Grand Master's Patent, beautifully designed, was presented with the accompanying words:

It is a token or a memorial of distinguished service.

There is service everywhere for Masons to perform, but only a few have been honored with the privilege, the duty, the responsibility of piloting the welfare and leadership of a Jurisdiction.

I. C. Blackwood was elected Grand Master.

A. A. Lemon represents Canada and J. C. Bartram of Ottawa, represents South Carolina.

George T. Harmon is the able Grand Correspondent. We read under his Review of Alabama:

It is natural enough to make the matter of suspensions the barometer of Masonry.

It must be borne in mind that the matter of suspensions involves the nominal membership of the Craft at large, while the matter of non-representation in the Grand Lodge involves the installed and obligated officers of the Craft. If these warrant officers so far ignore their constitutional relationship to the Grand Lodge, what can be expected of the rank and file of the Craft.

He rules that no lodge should be opened without prayer. We wonder why such a ruling should have been asked.

We are taught never to enter upon any important undertaking without first involking the blessing of the Supreme Being." Is it possible that Masons anywhere are trying to escape the presence and blessing of Him who is the very source and center of Masonic life? Passing strange! We regret to read that such a decision was called for.

In the Arkansas Review we have some graphic language:

There are rough-necks who insolently pass through the beautiful and sublime degrees of Masonry for no other purpose but to reach a playground where license is the order of the day. Masonry has suffered at the hands of such unworthy pleasure-seekers. Unless it is checked, the time will come when some sort of measure will be taken by the rank and file of real Masons to stop the progress of such characters at the door of the lodge.

British Columbia produces a comment on Reviewers generally:

This is a featre of correspondence work that reveals all the more the value of the individual contribution in terms of its perspective and reaction. None of the reviews are alike, and yet, they deal with the same subject oftentimes. This is what makes them interesting.

From his friendly review of Canada we make the following extracts which will be of interest to our brethren:

About one-sixth of the lodges of the Jurisdiction had no part in the deliberations of the Grand Lodge. This means, furthermore, that two hundred and seventy Warrant Officers were not sufficiently interested in jurisdictional affairs to attend the Grand Lodge or have some one to attend as proxy. Such an absentee record is not a pleasing commentary upon Freemasonry in the Old Dominion Province.

Three full pages are given to a description of one tour which the G.M. made through Northern Ontario.

His description is very tantalizing and causes any one reading it to wish that he might have an opportunity to enjoy the hospitality of these brethren in this northern region.

South Carolina differs in this respect in that no dispensation is required for a lodge to attend Divine Services.

He is impressed with the fact that in many other jurisdictions, where Masonry is alive, there is a growing demand from the younger generation of the Craft for some food to satisfy their craving for knowledge about things Masonic.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters in Canada are similar in the matter of careful detail to those of other Grand Jurisdictions in the Dominion.

It is to be observed that the District Deputy in this part of the Masonic world is certainly not a figure-head. He is on the job.

Canada is to be commended for its zeal in behalf of its indigent and distressed members.

Brother Ponton consumes over two pages in appreciation of the Reviews of our late Brother Michie. He quotes freely from his review of eleven Jurisdictions.

We shall do our best to command the good will and kindly fellowship of the Fraternal Correspondent of Canada. CHILE receives an unusual review:

Grand Master Boccardo expresses himself in his address in terms of the spirit and genius of Freemasonry. It is delightful to note the power and influence of Masonic principles and thinking upon the minds of those who share its blessings, regardless of their race, their politics or their religion. No finer appeal could be made by any man anywhere.

We find that the Grand Lodge of Chile has been recognized by sixteen Grand Lodges in the United States, twenty-seven English and European Grand Lodges, and thirty-three others. Of the sixty-six lodges that compose the Jurisdiction, sixty-one work in the Spanish language. There are three English-speaking lodges, one Italian and one German.

Manuals are being furnished to newly made Masons in order that they might come into an appreciative understanding of the meaning of Masonry.

From an oration delivered before the Illinois Grand Lodge and reprinted and commented upon in the Review, we take these striking sentiments:

But citizenship implies the giving of some time to politics—to the work of governing. The time we take from that and put into our business is the most expensive time which we devote to our private affairs. This may sound like a strong assertion, but nevertheless it is a fact. If there is wrong done in public office, it is because you and I allow wrongdoers to achieve public office. We are no better than the Pharisees of old, when we assume a "holier than thou" attitude and say that politics is dirty. Politics in place of being dirty is the highest, noblest and most powerful function of the American citizen. It only becomes putrid and a menace when clean citizens neglect it.

This from the Review of Iowa is applicable elsewhere:

Masonic homes, tubercular hospitalization and the education of worthy boys and girls. These and other movements in the matter of constructive work constitute the new departure in Masonry today and reveal its tendency to translate its ideals in terms of useful service and leadership.

New York always gives ample subject for comment:

The Grand Lecturer says: "I have found many lodges using the American flag as an altar drape or an altar cloth. According to the interpretation of brethren schooled in the regulations for the use of the flag, the American flag is not to be used as an altar drape. The proper place to display the flag in a lodge room is on a standard in the East." So say we.

From the review of Scotland we take the following paragraphs

Thus it is seen that Scotland maintains an extensive jurisdiction reaching out into the remote provinces of the British Empire. There is the opportunity to look in upon the workings of Masonry among peoples that we know little of. It is necessary for deputations to be sent at intervals to these children of the Grand Lodge of Scotland in order that they may feel the interest and good will of the parent body.

SOUTH DAKOTA

William F. Sargent, M.W. Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Fifty-sixth Communication was held at Rapid City June 10th, 1930. This was part of the invocation of Grand Chaplain Ashley:

Grant that the spirit of wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in Thy light we may see light, and in Thy straight path may not stumble. Preserve us from fruitless fears, and grant that the clouds of this mortal life may not hide from us the light of that love which is immortal.

Visitors from North Dakota, Kentucky, Illinois, North Carolina, Wyoming and New York were present and welcomed.

From the address of welcome to Rapid City we take the following:

For passengers, express matter, and the U.S. mail, in coaches drawn by two teams of horses, that were changed at the Road Stations about fourteen miles apart, it was a continuous ride.

This condition continued until 1886, when the first passenger train reached Rapid City by way of the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley Railroad.

We welcome you to our City, its citizens, our homes, our institutions of learning as well as of industry, wherein and whereby you may be enabled to familiarize yourselves with the treasures that we have every reason to confidently believe lie buried and hidden in Mother Earth, the develop-

ment of which will eventually become of value to every citizen of the State, irrespective of his place of residence.

Among the rulings of the Grand Master are these:

I refused a request for permission to elect a secretary who was not a member of the lodge who wished to elect him.

The fact that a brother has failed to keep a pledge given to a Masonic Building Association, does not act as a bar to his receiving his demit from his lodge.

He issued edicts or messages to the brethren from time to time. We make one extract as to lodge meetings:

Make this event both pleasant and instructive. We will welcome any suggestions; you may have valuable ideas, if so we want them. Ideas, you know, are contagious; great movements grow from small beginnings.

South Dakota has contributed only 17% of its quota to the George Washington Memorial.

He disapproves, as all must eventually do, of rotation in office, as to which he says:

A large number of our lodges have drifted, I believe unconsciously, into the system of rotation in office.

Where this system has become firmly established it has, to all purposes, taken the privilege from the lodge members of electing their Worshipful Master. I have not written the foregoing in the spirit of criticism, but rather as a caution against what I believe to be a dangerous system.

With regard to Organizations by so-called side issues, he speaks out:

For the past few years I have watched, with growing concern, the springing up of new organizations which predicate their membership on Freemasonry, and have noted their rapid growth. I need not mention all of them; a few will do. The Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots, The Tall Cedars of Lebanon, The Order of Amaranth, and a number of others.

The danger lies in the fact that these organizations will tend to split up Masonry.

Under Conditions of the Craft he says:

Then there is still another class of delinquents. I refer to those brothers who are really financially unable to keep up their dues but are too proud to make this fact known to the lodge. We would not be worthy of the title of Mason if we knowingly allowed these brothers to be dropped from the rolls.

As to Grand Secretaries geneally and George A. Pettigrew in particular, we read:

The office of Grand Secretary is perhaps the most important office in the gift of the Craft, and it would be dif-

ficult to conceive of a man better qualified to discharge the duties of the office more efficiently. and sympathetically.

During the year no less than 692 volumes have been contributed to the library. This is loyalty in action.

The Grand Secretary quotes with approval an extract from the New Age Magazine on chain letters, that intolerable black-mailing nuisance:

It is particularly unfortunate that some misguided brethren, unheedful of the teachings of the fraternity, should have associated it with such letters. The Craft urges all to seek light, and certainly light is not to be found by fostering that which has been revived from a period of darkness. It behooves Masons, who receive chain letters to quickly consign them to their proper depository, the waste basket, and thus discourage those who persist in this ridiculous and annoying practice.

Membership 19,885. Net gain 106.

The Committee on Activities reports:

In keeping with successful plans in other Grand Jurisdictions, your Board has organized a Speaker's Bureau. It is our plan to have well qualified Masonic Speakers distributed all over the State.

The Board of General Activities is not a factory of ideas. It is more of a clearing house or repository of the sum total of the ideas of the Craft on betterment activities. Members having suggestions or plans are urged to deposit them with the Board. Those seeking information will find that the experience of others is at their disposal.

Under Necrology we find this verse:

We know full well that, in that dim Hereafter,
The thread of that great scheme whereof this life
Is, as a something tell us—but a part,
Shall not be lost, but taken up again.
And woven into one completed whole.

Grand Orator Harper delivered an address on Further Light in Masonry:

When Daniel refusing to obey the King when that obedience stultified his conscience and dulled his inner vision, he was only following Light which all true Masons still follow today.

Masonry needs no defense in public, but rather faithful practice of its virtues and philosophy in daily life. Its virtues and principles are its greatest bulwark and these are its eternal argument.

The Correspondence Committee report:

Grand Lodges of Mexico should settle their differences and come to some satisfactory agreement among themselves before they ask foreign Grand Lodges to recognize them.

Thirteen Past Grand Masters strengthened the Grand East.

William E. Milligan duly represented Canada.

The Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star, Mrs. Poznansky with others of her planets, were introduced and received with a royal welcome. She touches upon that which has interested many, and delivered an eloquent address:

The Order of the Eastern Star out-numbers that of the Masonic Order. The fact that woman is barred from the practice of Masonry has been the text for many criticisms and explanations. Thomas DeQuincey, in his curious essay on Freemasonry said:

For what reason women were excluded I suppose it can hardly be necessary to say. The absurd spirit of curiosity, talkativeness and levity which so distinguished that unhappy sex, were obviously incompatible with the grave purpose of Masons.

It has been said that Masonry claims inspiration from the great King Solomon, be that as it may, for really I do not know, but I do know that the Order of the Eastern Star goes still further into the past and bases its inspiration upon a great, great, great Grandmother of this illustrious King, our Ruth. Ruth was the ancestress of the Child of Promise, the Messiah, whose Star shone in the East.

A communication was received from Bro. Sir Alfred Robbins of England, regarding the Bi-centenary of American Free Masonry, which reads as follows:

The Board desires to place on record the fact that June 5th, 1930, will mark a most important bi-centenary in the history of Freemasonry. It was on June 5th, 1730, that the then Grand Master (the Duke of Norfolk) signed in London, a Warrant which for the first time recognized on behalf of Grand Lodge the existence of Freemasonry in the American Colonies, which formed the nucleus of the present United States. By this Warrant a prominent American Freemason of the time who appears also to have been a member of a London Lodge, was empowered to constitute what was then termed a Provincial Grand Lodge, which embraced Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York. Fully empowered Grand Lodges were later constituted in each of these Provinces, as well as in every other State of the Union; and our Brethren of today, knowing the momentous consequences to Freemasonry which have flowed from the great spread of English-speaking Freemasonry in the United States, and the splendid efforts continuing with increasing strength to be put forth by the American Brethren, will desire to congratulate them all on the progress thus made and to express the earnest prayer that happiness and success will for all time attend them.

This from one of the many worthy In Memoriam pages:

For man is but the seed of what he shall be,
When, in the fulness of his perfecting,
He drops the husk and cleaves his upward way,
Through earth's retardings and the clinging clay
Into the sunshine of God's perfect day.
No fetters then! No bonds of time or space!
But powers as ample as the boundless grace
That suffered man, and death, and yet, in tenderness,
Set wide the door and passed Himself before—
As He had promised—to prepare a place.

—John Oxenham

J. W. Hickson of Weston, Toronto, a veteran Craftsman then represented South Dakota.

TASMANIA

Frank P. Bowden, M.W. Grand Master.

W. H. Strutt, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Annual Communication was held at the Masonic Home, Launceston 1st March, 1930.

Additions were made to the Library by purchase and gift. Ten new sets of Regalia costing £150 were paid for out of income.

A Committee was appointed to deal with Overseas Settling with the following objects:

(a) To give advice to such brethren in all matters relating to the occupation proposed to follow.

(b) To assist in every possible way by giving them the benefit of the knowledge and experience possessed by the Committee.

Receipts for the year amounted to £2,312 in addition to the special Flood Relief Fund hereafter referred to.

With regard to the Board of Benevolence the Committee say:

Under no circumstances are genuine applications refused or amounts recommended by the Masters, or lodges, reduced. Every case is reviewed quarterly, and the necessary action taken.

The Flood Relief Fund totalled the handsome and generous sum of £2,154 which was distributed among 73 who had suffered.

The Proceedings of Canada are acknowledged.

The Grand Master and Pro Grand Master Abra will continue in office.

The Grand Master describes the visit of His Excellency Lord Stonehaven.

Membership 4,024. This is nearly double what it was ten years ago.

Like a wise administrator he reviews the past but does not neglect the future.

So much for the past, my brethren. Now what of the future? Cecil Rhodes's words "So little done—so much to do" apply to us all in our Masonic and other work.

He emphasizes the importance of proper Regalia in the mode of wearing it:

I wish to put it on higher ground. Although fashions in clothes may change, Masonic symbolism remains unaltered. Therefore, whatever changes in garb we may adopt let us see to it that our badge of Masonic rank is given the prominence its importance deserves. If our jacket or coat is so designed as to conceal, or partly conceal, our badge or its rank markings, let us wear the apron on the outside, so that all may see.

As to statistics the following figures are interesting:

Recent figures estimate that there are in the world four and a half millions of Freemasons, of whom four millions live in English-speaking countries.

Australia's estimated quota is a hundred and fifty-five thousand, including four thousand in Tasmania.

Those 150,000 Masons, commencing as it were from the edge of things, the coastal districts of Freemasonry, and strongly entrenched behind the principles and moral truths for which Freemasonry worked, were standing solidly against the advancing materialistic forces of selfishness, and were passing on to the heart of the great Continent and of Tasmania the practice of unselfishness, and the culture of those virtues that taught men not only how to live, but also how to die.

A. F. Webster of Toronto, represents Tasmania, and Canada is represented there by H. J. Wise, P.D.G.M.

TENNESSEE

E. R. Burr, M.W. Grand Master.

T. E. Doss, R. W. Grand Secretary.

Thirteen Past Grand Masters strengthened the Grand East at the One hundred and seventeenth Communication held in Nashville, January 28th, 1931.

Canada was duly represented by George T. Wofford. Tennessee is represented near our Grand Lodge by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, M.P.

Grand Master Burr delivered an address which is the true interpretation of his smiling genial countenance as

shown by his portrait in the Proceedings. From his introduction we glean:

I realized that among my many friends were those of decision, energy, industry, and perseverance, with a full knowledge of Masonic affairs. To many of these I have turned for guidance, furthermore, I did not forget that the Altar is the point at which to enter upon all great and important undertakings.

In Memory of Deceased Brethren he quoted:

Death and Birth are the vesper and the matin bells,
that summon

Mankind to sleep, and to rise refreshed for new advancement.

Urging vocational training in the Home School he adds:

This matter I would ask that you consider seriously, for it is worthy of your consideration, and would make your Home ideal. The work we are doing can only be considered as a mission of love, so let us develop it to such a point that we may rest content that we have left nothing undone.

Of the contrast between lodges as shown in his many visits he thus speaks:

I have visited lodges that, to use the slang expression, were "just bubbling over with Masonry"; and others that were content to remain stationary, and have their being, seemingly perfectly satisfied with their existence, and content to remain just as they were with no desire to grow or to improve; in some instances they were just rusting out, and were holding on as a matter of pride, meaning but little to their communities;

He urges that the number of group meetings be augmented and points out the propriety of consolidation of some of the weaker lodges whose jurisdictions are now linked up by the motor car and good roads.

His conclusion sums up a good year's work.

The year just passed has witnessed a derangement of human affairs to such a bewildering extent that we have been called upon to adopt new ideas in practically every undertaking. We are now in a position where we must face the future with fearlessness and conservatism, and yet with motive power sufficient to attain the cherished goal of our dreams. "Our business is not to look behind, but look ahead."

Let us be Masons in thought and word and deed.

I have fulfilled some of my desires, that is, I have entered into sympathy with men, my brethren.

The successor to the veteran Stith Cain, whose name as Grand Secretary had become a household word, expresses in his report a "mingled feeling of pride and humility."

Membership 49,655. Net loss 412.

The Historical Report by Bro. Comstock is brief but illuminating:

In connection with the research work for the Grand Chapter and Grand Council, an amount of data, valuable to the Grand Lodge historical record, has involuntarily been acquired, at no additional expense to the Grand Lodge up to this time. This additional information we expect to compile in readable form.

In the In Memoriam record of the late Thomas Stith Malone Cain, Grand Secretary, we react to the following tribute:

We mourn today for a brother departed, yet the demonstrations of Nature, the Law of Universal Progress, as well as the inner-consciousness of the Spirit, tell us in language all may comprehend, that he has only passed onward in advance to that immaculate existence, toward which we are all rapidly trending.

Such was his lineage, descending from hardy American pioneers, and from the various groups of Britain's predominating races, Celt, Saxon, Gaelic and Norman French, with probably a mingling of Huguenot, races which have united to produce the greatest leaders of our Western Land. Brother Cain was a typical American.

Within the lodge, below, thy work's complete;

The Chief O'erseer has marked it true and good;

His seal thou bearest with thee on thy way,

The symbol of Eternal Brotherhood.

R. V. Hope of Memphis was elected Grand Master.

The revised Constitution of Grand Lodge is printed in full for the edification of the brethren.

John T. Peeler is the distinguished Chairman of Fraternal Correspondence.

We regret that Canada's Proceedings do not seem to have fallen into his hands. He says in his introduction—(but we do not wholly agree—for the "mercenaries" are few in our belief):

Men sometimes join the Order prompted by motives other than those expressed at their initiation, and this has doubtless been true in many instances since the World War, so that when they have not found therein the fertile field of political or financial gain they have submitted to suspension for non-payment of dues, and I have never thought that Masonry lost anything by this character of suspension.

We note under Arizona the removal of Grand Master Macdonald to the Sudbury District, Ontario:

The Grand Master has had an interesting career as a mining engineer with the great copper companies of the

West and has since removed to Canada in the employ of the International Nickel Company, Ltd.

This also he gleans and garners from Arizona:

You may put up a structure of brick and of stone,
Such as never was builded before;
Full furnished with costliest woods that are grown,
And carve every pillar and door;
You may crowd it with treasures from quarry and mine,
With the glories of brush and of pen.
But it's only a building—though ever so fine—
If it's lacking the Spirit of Men.

Cornerstones are usually laid at the northeast corner of a building. The symbolic reason for this is that the ancient workman considered the seat of Darkness to be in the North, and the seat of Wisdom in the East. The northeast corner, therefore, symbolized the meeting place of Darkness and Light, and we still follow the custom laid down so many thousands of years ago.

Cornerstones antedate the oldest of Masonic traditions for we read in the Book of Job, considered by some to be the oldest book in the Bible, this question asked of Job by the Supreme Architect: "Where wast thou when I laid the foundations thereof fastened, or who laid the Cornerstone thereof?"

Georgia always furnishes some high thought:

And this good manhood had a good warfare. The Masonic order fights for the light and for the right. So long as there are left among men injustice, cruelty and oppression, let the light shine! So long as intemperance, immorality and infidelity abound, let it shine!

He quotes Maine and Virginia at length as in favor of trial Commission as distinct from lodge "jury" trials.

He garners another gem from John Oxenham under his review of South Dakota:

For man is but the seed of what he shall be,
When in the fulness of his perfecting,
He drops the husk and cleaves his upward way,
Through earth's retardings and the clinging clay
Into the sunshine of God's perfect day.

This from his Review of Western Australia:

"Masons in good standing." A painful feature of this state of affairs is that these brethren are mostly men who have professed the same beliefs, knelt at the same altar, and taken the same vows as their more stable-intentioned fellows, received the same rights and privileges, and become members of the world's greatest brotherhood. One is loth to believe that their disregard for all these is wholly and solely their own fault.

TEXAS

Hiram F. Lively, M.W. Grand Master.

W. B. Pearson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

This the largest of all volumes of Proceedings received from any point of the compass, reflects infinite credit upon the whole Jurisdiction and upon the talent and skill of the boys and girls of the Home and School, who are being brought up to the useful avocation of the "art preservative" and the Bookbinders' craft.

A special Communication was held to conduct the burial services over the remains of Dan S. McMillin, P.G.M. A similar Communication of Grand Lodge was held to conduct services over the remains of John Watson, P.G.M.

The Ninety-fifth Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Waco, December 3rd, 1930. As a prelude a much appreciated programme was presented, at which function Grand Secretary Pearson presided.

Canada was faithfully represented by Elmer Renfro.

Fourteen Past Grand Masters strengthened the Grand East.

From the Grand Chaplain's invocation we take the following searching paragraphs:

Lord, help us to be men who shall remember that the all-seeing eye searches our souls this morning.

Band us together as men determined to put over a great program, and as we come along down, members of an Ancient Order, we may perform our parts well, that folks may look back and see that we were true and loyal.

The Roll Call of deceased Past Grand Masters was called in accordance with the usual custom and we extract from the address made on the occasion of calling those who have passed away, the following:

I think that in such a spirit, prepared and therefore unafraid to meet his Pilot face to face, Brother Watson passed over into the great beyond.

And tho' on earth thy place a void may be,
Beloved friend, thou art not dead to me.

You go to the church that he belonged to and ask them who stood next to his church, who built the church, who kept it and maintained it, and ninety-nine out of one hundred men and women will answer at once, "Dan McMillin."

Badges were presented to fifty year Masons.

The Grand Master thus began his address:

Recommend such tasks as may seem proper to be undertaken, and inspire you to renewed and greater efforts in a more perfect living and practicing of Masonry, thereby building a greater, wiser, and happier Craft.

He elaborated upon the great work done by Masons in relieving the distress caused by the frost cyclone, thousands of dollars being expended.

A cadet of West Point was permitted to have the Master's Degree conferred out of time because through the discipline at West Point he was unable to obtain leave of absence sufficient for him to receive the Degree there.

Dispensations were granted for public installations. This would be impossible in Canada.

The Grand Master attended the commencement exercises of the Home and School at Forth Worth saying:

The Home and School in caring for the children of our deceased brothers is doing one of the most constructive, far-reaching and advantageous works of our Craft, in that it is building in the minds and hearts of the children those principles that make of them real citizens, prepared and suited for citizenship, and able to earn a livelihood for themselves, and no greater work can be accomplished by man.

He rightly refused to lay a cornerstone of a new School Building for the reason that the authorities wished to use a mere slab.

As to education and service we get his open views:

The policy of Education and Service has become and is indispensable to the Craft in our jurisdiction, and if our local lodges will take advantage of the literature prepared and distributed, and the work of this Committee, applying same in their own lodges, I am convinced they can and will have less indifference, less arrears in dues and less suspensions of their members; they will have a better moral and social condition among their membership, and a greater co-operation and fellowship in their lodge.

As to the use of Lodge Buildings in Texas by other Bodies, he speaks firmly:

Many of our lodge buildings in Texas are owned by the different branches of Masonry, most of which are under the York Bodies, and in some instances stock or certificates in said buildings are held by profanes. In my judgment this Grand Lodge should adopt a policy with reference to giving permission to lodges to construct buildings and authority to create debts, and should also have a policy as to who shall be permitted to join in such building projects as owners.

He declares the lodges organized by the purported "Mexico-Texana Grand Lodge" to be clandestine.

From his many decisions we choose the following as of more than local interest:

On the question as to whether a protest of an application of a suspended Mason for restoration would stop the Brother for a year, or should be counted as a black-ball, that it should not be considered at all, in any form, because

under the law a suspended Mason can be reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the lodge.

Held, that inasmuch as the lodge from which this brother hails was under the Argentine Grand Orient, with which we had no fraternal relations, he was not eligible to affiliate with a lodge in our Grand Jurisdiction., nor eligible to visit a lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Held, that he was not eligible since we were not in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

The body was to be sent to another State where arrangements had been made, at the request of the deceased, for the Odd Fellows to bury him.

Held, that the lodge should not hold the ante-burial service under the circumstances; that when Masons begin the services of the burial of a brother, that the Masons, either locally; or locally and abroad, should continue the service until the body is finally interred.

Held, that A.D.P., while under charges in his lodge of murdering his wife, recently having confessed his guilt, and while under indictment for murder, took his life, was not entitled to a Masonic funeral. (See post)

I further held that it is bad policy for any lodge to elect a brother to office simply to confer upon him an honor; that officers of any lodge should be capable and competent, and offices should be filled by brethren who are willing and had the desire to serve the Craft.

He chronicles another bequest to the Masonic Home and School of \$5,000.

He acknowledged gracefully the cable message of the Duke of Connaught, trusting that the friendship developed by and through Freemasonry may at all times exist between the two Nations in its purest, highest and best sense.

Membership 137,740. Net decrease 356. Number of lodges 1,264.

Grand Orator Terrill delivered his annual oration from which we extract the following nuggets of ore:

This world is made by personality. Not factories, not banks, not improved transportation facilities, not systems of laws, not forms of government—but the personalities, back of and dominating these, make the world better. We shall never have a higher type of civilization until we have a higher type of man. Therefore the supreme business of humanity is to make better men.

Masonic teachings appeal to the man to lift up his life that "the King of Glory may come in."

Masonry is not a system of Theology.

What is religion? Religion is not pure feeling; religion is not mere intellectual acceptance of certain ideas or ideals; religion is not conformity to any set of rules or dogma;

but religion, anywhere, everywhere, in a church or out of a church, is the personal, direct experience of fellowship between man and God.

But Truth, Divine, forever stands secure,
Its head as guarded as its base is sure;
Fixed in the rolling flood of endless years.

Men have two standards of conduct toward woman. The one develops noble and heroic character in the man, and elevates woman to a plane where, as Wordsworth expresses it, she is, "A Spirit pure and bright".

The Masonic Fraternity of Texas has an opportunity for influence, that will be immeasurable in its far reaching effect, that will aid mightily in clearing away the fogs of this social chaos in our State.

Somewhere she waits, strong in belief,
Your soul in her firm white hands;
Thank well the gods when she comes to you—
The woman who understands.

Integrity can never be good friends with iniquity; liberty can never clasp hands with tyranny; purity can never mate in peace with filth and foulness.

But in this great Masonic Fraternity, men are hand-picked because of their good reputation.

Brotherhood will be a hollow shell and a mockery, if it be built upon a sand foundation of nothing more than lip responses in ritualistic programs.

The Committee on Grand Officers' Reports calls chain letters "a manifestation of credulity and superstition that has no place in an enlightened commonwealth, much less in the literature of Masonic lodges."

Texas recognized Ecuador.

The children of the Masonic Home and School furnished a wonderful entertainment for Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master Washer introduced all children individually and collectively. Hear him:

Now, ladies and gentlemen, it is a peculiar characteristic, both among nations and amongst individuals, to be proud of a display of their resplendent jewels. In Great Britain and in Germany I recall this to be true especially. In the tower of London they lay great stress upon and evidence a degree of pride in the display of the magnificent crown jewels that are shown there.

They are only baubles after all, and mean nothing. Tonight, we have brought for your inspection a few of the jewels of the Grand Lodge of Texas; (applause). We left nearly four hundred at home. You would have to build another Grand Lodge if you were to get them all in here at one time.

First they go back into the kitchen and wash the dishes. They take turn about there. We haven't a servant on the place. They do all of their own work, and make up their own beds. Then they go to school, just like your children go to the public schools of the community. in which you live. Then at noon dinner is served, and then they go back to school again in the afternoon. After the hours of play and recreation they spend some time in making their own dresses.

We are not petting or pampering them, but we are making self-respecting, self-supporting men and women out of them.

Every building in that Home is a fireproof building.

I tell you a story of a boy who asked his father one time, "Father," he said, "How do wars begin?" The father said, "Well, I will give you an example. For instance, we will say England quarrels with France—" the mother, sitting nearby, spoke up promptly and said, "But England isn't going to quarrel with France." He said, "Well, I just mentioned that as an example. That is just a hypothetical case." The mother said, "Yes, but you are misleading the boy." He said, "No, I am not." "Yes, you are." "But I say I am not." "But you are," she said, and the boy then said, "Never mind, father. I know how wars begin now." (Laughter).

Ten pamphlets have been published by the Executive Secretary and distributed on practical Craft subjects.

The Committee on Jurisprudence differed from the Grand Master on grounds that we cannot understand in regard to his refusing a Masonic funeral to a man who had committed suicide after being indicted for the murder of his wife and confessing his guilt. They had interpreted apparently strictly the technical law but what about the spirit of the Craft? (See ante).

While your Committee understands and sympathizes with the purpose of the Grand Master in making this decision, we feel compelled to withhold our approval.

When charges are preferred against a member his standing as a Mason is unaffected thereby until he is found guilty by the lodge.

A. W. Baker of Guelph, represents Texas.

Then follow pages after pages with every name of every member of the Craft in Texas.

W. M. Fly, P.G.M., reviewed 67 Proceedings. He devotes his able introduction largely to answering this question "As Masons, whither are we Drifting?" saying:

We are confronted with the spectacle of smaller net gains, and, in many instances, with net losses. These changed conditions are directly attributable to the suspen-

sions and demissions which are found from the records to be in quite the same proportion as were the admissions of the years just preceding.

Besides study forums, in some Grand Jurisdictions, expediences such as special degree teams, offering some new frills have been and are being permitted; social clubs and various and sundry means are being resorted to, in the hope of restoring or creating Masonic interest. The experimental runs coeval with the human element.

He awakes to find that he has paid the price and has become a member of an Institution builded upon the doctrine that it is "more blessed to give than to receive"; an Institution demanding of its members a demonstration of ability; ability of intellect and intelligence founded upon good moral character and all backed by a fixed determination to attain greater heights in self, while contributing generously to the building of upright character in others and to the relief of a needy brother and his dependents.

Brethren are being admonished as to their duty when asked to recommend a petitioner. Investigating Committees are being seriously warned as to the dire necessity of their knowing and performing their duty, while the misguided and blundering use of the ballot in the past is being placed directly upon the hearts and consciences of the brethren, who, in the last analysis, are the trusted custodians of the purity and integrity of our beloved Institution.

This from the review of California:

The efforts of the Committee should be confined to Masonic subjects and interests, and the Committee should resist every effort to expand its activities beyond Masonic field. An ambitious program of general education will lead to certain defeat. We cannot compete with the high schools, academies, junior colleges and universities in our pedagogic efforts. Our members desire Masonic instruction.

Our colleague is the second Reviewer whom our 1930 Proceedings had reached. He is sorry to note the absence of Texas' Representative. He speaks at length on the origin of Grand Lodge in 1855 and the then and present proportions. He touches on Bro. Herrington's History and Bro. Malone's presentation. This also is gratifying:

Thus we find the spread of the true spirit of benevolence exhibiting itself here as in so many other Grand Jurisdictions wherein our more opulent Brethren are providing such legacies by bequests written into their wills.

Referring to Canada being without a definite system of Masonic Education he says:

Undertaking a general survey of this question, the English-speaking Grand Lodges of the world were addressed,

asking for their definite scheme, if any, and for direct answers to (a) lectures, (b) Masonic libraries and (c) correspondence courses". It was found that "there is a world-wide interest in this problem."

The question of suspensions N.P.D. is most thoroughly and intelligently discussed and as to the scrutiny of candidates he adds:

We are particularly impressed with the fundamental doctrine announced by this Committee, that the affirmative rather than the negative character of petitioners should be reported.

Of our own review he is generously appreciative:

We are always delighted to receive Canada's valuable volume of Proceedings and we will be permitted to say in all perfect candor, more especially because it brings to us the superior thoughts and opinions of the accomplished Masonic scholar and elegant writer of the reviews of other Grand Lodge Proceedings. He evidences his careful reading of the reports of correspondents by often quoting them. Quite a compliment we take it, coming from such a source.

This from Maryland:

Grand Lodge has said that we shall have a Masonic Home, and proclaims the slogan: "Our goal should be more Masonry in men and not more men in Masonry."

This from Massachusetts:

In Massachusetts, as possibly nowhere else, at least in such symmetry, is to be found a perfectly justified and commendable co-ordination of intelligent and worth while endeavors of the several branches of York Rite Masonry, for the proper care and education of the children of deceased or indigent Master Masons.

This from Michigan:

We are just beginning. Truly we have turned the sod of practical usefulness.

With regard to an obligatory attendance record we read under New Hampshire:

He (the Grand Master) wants, and said it, every lodge to have a by-law requiring the attendance of its members at least once in six months. Our quick thought is that this would be stealing and approving a quirk of the Rotary and similar clubs.

This interesting paragraph under Tennessee:

He reports the election of a party to receive the E.A. Degree, the subsequent removal of the party to another Grand Jurisdiction, and request made that a lodge of this other Grand Jurisdiction confer the degree for the lodge electing. The request was denied for reason of immoral life of petitioner, whereupon Grand Master ordered a

summon meeting of the lodge electing, and a rescinding of said election. Something new to us. We have never known of an authority to "rescind" such an election, properly made, but any individual member may estop the conferring of a Degree by simple protest, and the lodge, as such, may be held to account for any wilful overlooking of such practices of immorality. Again it is noted that an election to receive the degree of M.M. may be estopped by "objection," but such objection may be subsequently withdrawn, thereby rendering a "re-ballot" necessary. With us, a protest may be filed and such protest operates as a black-ball and cannot be "withdrawn" and, of course, no "re-ballot" permitted until after the expiration of the one year fixed by virtue of the protest.

UTAH

Arthur Edward Smith, M.W. Grand Master.

Sam Henry Goodwin, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Fifty-ninth Communication was held in Salt Lake City, January 21, 1930. A fine array of Past Grand Officers seventeen in all, pillared the Grand East.

At this Convocation Charles F. Barrett was elected Grand Master. He is a native son of the Beehive State and was educated at the Brigham Young University.

Canada's Grand Representative was not reported present.

The Grand Master of Montana was welcomed.

From Grand Master Smith's address we extract some of the more important paragraphs:

The Grand Master's official visit is, and should be considered an important occasion. It is then that he receives the report of the Master of the lodge, comments upon it, gives advice, issues such instructions as he may deem proper and otherwise brings to the attention of the members, matters of which they should be informed.

These brethren who have labored so long and so well in the Masonic field and to whose untiring efforts we owe so much, have given me every possible assistance, not only by their moral support, but by their wise counsel and active participation in Grand Lodge affairs during the year.

Grand Secretary Goodwin has interested himself in publishing valuable historical pamphlets on the History of Masonry in Utah of which the Grand Master says:

His profound Masonic knowledge, his tireless energy, and his inability to tolerate anything other than the exact truth have especially fitted him for the work he has under-

taken and the products of his pen will preserve for all time an accurate record of Utah Masonry.

He ruled that the use of two ballot boxes is not permissible in Utah.

The Committee on Necrology presented a striking report from which we take the following sentences:

Masonry serves, and offers its torch of truth without expectation of personal reward.

We bring them these words of appreciation and offer this testimony to their memory because there is that in our mystic tie that death does not sever.

We know that our strength lies in the bonded tie of common manhood. Many organizations boast of their acceptance of the brotherhood of man. Masonry lives it.

Most important as well as most helpful and lasting is the impress you make on the life of today.

Grand Secretary Goodwin's reports are never simply statistical but he takes a brief glance backward and an optimistic glance forward, saying:

Sometimes when a close-up view of one's situation is not particularly enlivening, it is well to "raise our sights" a little.

Thus humorously he describes his holiday and recovery, upon which the Craft is to be congratulated:

They ordered me to leave the city within ten days and to remain away at least two months. The reason assigned for this high-handed and unheard of procedure was that the Secretary—owing to a physical condition that was not quite satisfactory and which had persisted for some months—was not "stepping as lively" as he ought to do. To assure the carrying out of the sentence thus imposed, it was further ordered that a sum of money (a third more than was needed) be appropriated to meet the expenses of such an extended exile.

In view of all the circumstances, and having long since learned the lesson of obedience to Masonic authority, I yielded.

I returned to my work in "A-1" condition, and since then I have endeavored day by day, to translate into service my grateful appreciation.

Utah has neither receded nor progressed, 5,174 being recorded for the last two years. The average membership of lodges is 208.

The Librarian reports the purchase of 39 volumes of the Bancroft Histories, and says with regard to the operation of the Library:

There has been a steady call for books from the Library with perhaps a perceptible growth in the number, but this has not been as large as one could wish for.

The fact must be recognized that because a man is a Mason, it does not follow that he is a reading Mason.

Grand Historian Goodwin thus writes:

An injury graves itself in metal, but a benefit writes itself in water.

Recognition was accorded to the Eclectic Union of Frankfort and to Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

The Board of Custodians report:

In Utah it appears that the larger the town the poorer the percentage of attendance by available members.

Too many counter-attractions, too much routine, too much work, too little work, and general indifference.

Dr. H. M. Poteat, educator of more than state-wide reputation, says that, "We still use the old lectures and charges. My own conviction is that they should be revised from end to end—together with the rest of the ritual".

We have the same trouble of non-attendance that you have. We try to arrange matters so that a lodge shall be closed in reasonable season and I think there is much less tendency to desert than there used to be.

Encourage original research and provide instruction and entertainment for the class as well as make some departure from constant, monotonous repetition of the same old lecture with which all are familiar.

The intent of the laws requiring explanatory lectures is fully complied with when the lecturer covers his subject regardless of the form of language used by him.

I find further that the Craft is always more interested in hearing something new than in listening to a repetition.

Sooner or later we and the rest of the Masonic Grand Jurisdictions will be constrained in some manner to shorten and modernize the less essential portions of the degrees, by which we mean the lectures and charges.

The Grievances and Appeals Committee distinguish between a rumour of immorality and the actual facts, which require to be proved, but the Minority Report is worded strongly in these sentences:

It is a fundamental principle in the administration of justice that when a duly authorized tribunal hears evidence and decides a disputed question of fact, upon conflicting evidence, their decision will not be disturbed on appeal. This is not a technical rule, but a principle based upon reason and experience. It is dangerous to depart from it.

Upon very conflicting and contradictory evidence they found a verdict of not guilty. To require the defendant to submit to another trial and to be again put in jeopardy of his rights for the same offense, seems to me to be wholly unfair and unjust.

Governor George H. Dern who is a Past Grand Master presented the Jewel.

Grand Orator Corey spoke eloquently. His style may be gathered from these sentences:

We of today are somewhat prone to live in the glories of the past, enumerating the virtues of those illustrious heroes who have blazoned their names in the firmament of history as stars of unquenchable brightness, extolling the lustre of their heroic deeds and somehow seeming to take unto ourselves something of credit for the results of their achievements at least to the extent of basking in the reflected glory of their greatness.

The battles they fought and won were decisive, but we must not forget that those battles were not won for all time.

Political affairs are not a perpetual motion sort of thing; some one, or some group control and guide them, and each should exercise his right to share in their direction and operation. If we neglect to exercise this privilege or to assume our proportion of the duties of citizenship, it may be that others through their control will selfishly usurp and arrogate to themselves power which they could not otherwise acquire, and it is quite conceivable that such usurpation of power and arrogation of civil rights may dangerously undermine the principles upon which our republic stands nay, more, may even result in its overthrow.

Jurists, members of our own order have pointed out that this failure on the part of responsible citizens of the community to assume and render this service is perhaps the greatest contributing factor to the seeming failure of the jury system.

E. S. McPhail of Hamilton, represents Utah, and R. J. Turner represents Canada.

The character and outstanding experience of Sam H. Goodwin, P.G.M. is apparent all through the excellent series of Reviews for which he is responsible and of which he is the creator.

We read under Alberta:

We should take stock of ourselves so as to determine anew "what we had, what we were doing with it and whither we were headed."

The Grand Master appears to be what may be termed, a conservative optimist in his outlook on life.

Refreshing is that, as a stiff breeze out of his own Northland on a sunny winter's day.

It certainly added to the attendance at Lodge meetings, because the younger members could do something; they could go ahead and fit themselves to take a part, and this of itself, helped to develop an interest in the lodge and to bring them to meetings, till the habit was formed.

Canada is appreciatively treated and we take from his Review of our Jurisdiction the following comments of our colleague:

Our own feeling is that this "shrinking process" in membership is due in some measure at least, to failure to exercise proper care in the selection of material. Put differently, there are members who never should have been allowed to approach our Altar. Interest such in Masonry? Our opinion is that it cannot be done! His description of the neglect of the newly made Mason is one with which we heartily agree.

The report of the Committee on Grand Master's address is out of the ordinary—as was to be expected in as much as Bro. Ponton was chairman of the Committee. Especially notable is the paragraph, next to the last, in which the Committee stresses the strategic position of the Province. As Bridge Builders, and those who help to "keep open and well trodden lines of communication the ways of friendly intercourse—the paths of peace," between them and us.

Our brothers over the line certainly know how to put over large undertakings—more especially in matters pertaining to benevolences.

The report on correspondence is again the work of Bro. Ponton, who is a past master in the art of preparing such reports. To the present writer the results obtained by him are all the more remarkable because almost more than any other writer known to us, with the possible exception of Bro. Whited of California, he uses the shears. And yet the fruits of his gleanings, strung together on a silken thread of comment and interpretation, seem to be in a class by themselves. The reason for this, if we mistake not, is twofold; He selects the best and most interesting matters, and he seems to say the right thing whenever comment is called for.

Only a glance or two can be given to this excellent piece of work. We smiled when we came to the review of British Columbia—done by another hand—Brother "E. B.B." quotes Brother DeWolf-Smith's dictum on descent in connection with the origin of lodges. Our brother up in the Northwest sometimes reminds us of Matthew Arnold—in some of his prose works—no grounds of appeal are recognized!

As for the work of this scribe, his generosity exceeds all bounds. Only a word here. Our brother rightly senses the fact that Utah's reviewer "loves Browning." There's many another seer and sweet singer to which this writer turns at times, but none other has for him what Browning has.

A wise saying under Colorado:

How be it, of two days I take no heed—
The day to come, and that already past.
But we can hardly cut ourselves loose from the past,
for all of that.

The same brother likened Masonry to a ship from which "the Masons have jettisoned" various undesirable passengers.

This from Georgia:

Georgia's Correspondent speaks of "Building the Broken Bits before our own Tents", emphasizing the thought found in Nehemiah 3:28—"every one over against his own house," and presenting a thoughtful message.

This law is a signal to the newly raised Mason to stop and bide a bit in the Blue Lodge before he rushes into co-ordinate branches of Freemasonry—it has been of real service to us out here.

New Hampshire gives him this opportunity:

We will stretch space to give place to an observation on a comment under British Columbia. We quite agree with Cheney concerning the ability of the Correspondent of the Jurisdiction named, and with him we find much in the reports which come out of the Northwest that is of real value. If the writer for British Columbia would play fair in his defense of the "body of Freemasonry"; admit that perhaps others have some rights on this earth of ours, in matters on which there is plenty of room for difference of opinion, and not, in zeal for what he is confident is right, positively and without any justification, misrepresent others: under such circumstances the present writer would be pleased to go the full length with Cheney.

From the Oregon review we make this scholarly extract:

Strange things happen, and have happened, in this work-a-day world of ours. For some reason we were reminded just here of one explanation given, of the presence in the Book of Mormon of entire chapters of the Bible—and they, in the exact language of the King James Version. We are assured by some of the prophet's followers, that the same spirit which inspired Isaiah, for example, inspired Joseph Smith, and hence as a result of this "telepathic communion" the language of the authorized version was used in both instances! Another writer accounts for the presence of those passages in the Book of Mormon, by explaining that when the prophet was translating parts of the Nephite record, he discovered that it closely paralleled passages in the Bible, and realizing "that the language of our English Bible was superior to his own, he adopted it"—i.e., lifted entire chapters—but that this was a sort of "unconscious plagiarism."

He sides entirely with the Philippine Islands in their dispute with the Shrine, saying boldly:

To us, it seems cowardly to take advantage of conditions which make it inexpedient for the Grand Lodge to exercise its disciplinary power where its members are concerned, and not only permit, but authorize such a high-handed disregard of primary Masonic rights and powers as has been done repeatedly in the Islands. It seems very much like a bully taking advantage of a weakling, and doing away from home, what he would not dare suggest even within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge to which, presumably he owes some sort of allegiance.

The matter, as between the two parties directly concerned, is on the way to a satisfactory settlement. That is not our chief concern, but the spectacle of the head of Shrinedom flouting the requests and protests of a Grand Lodge touches us profoundly—for it is a blow at Freemasonry.

From *Western Australia Review* we take the following which will be of interest to all Fraternal Correspondents and those who read the result of our labours:

Not the least value to be derived from Correspondence Reports is that one may sometimes see oneself as one appears to others:

O wad some power the giftie gie us
To see oursel's as others see us!
It wad frae monie a blunder free us
And foolish notion.

Undoubtedly some of us certainly need to be saved from blunders, due in part to foolish notions. But some who assume to hold the mirror before us, themselves blunder in the spirit in which such service is rendered. On such occasions there is no place for the superior air! In one of his letters to Tacitus, was it? the Younger Pliny expressed a willingness to change his opinions—on whatever the subject they had discussed—if such opinions were not agreeable to those of his friends. After admitting that he ought to yield to the superior mind of Tacitus, yet, he says in effect—I had rather be convinced by argument than by authority.

VERMONT

Edwin F. Greene, M.W. Grand Master.

Archie S. Harriman, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Distinguished visitors from New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Washington were welcomed.

A cablegram was received from the Duke of Connaught from which we take this sentence:

It remains my earnest hope that the tenets of our order may assist still further to strengthen the bond of friendship and good-will which so happily exists between our two nations and I shall continue to watch with sympathy every endeavour on both sides of the Atlantic to promote those feelings by the development of Freemasonry in its purest and highest forms.

Canada's Grand Representative did not appear.

In the Grand Master's address we read this word of suggestive admonition:

It has come to my attention during the last two years that quite a few of the lodges did not have any reserve fund on hand to meet any emergency that might arise. This condition of affairs should not exist.

He quotes in his conclusion this verse and makes some very pertinent questions which we all should be able to answer, let us hope, in the affirmative:

I'd hate to think when life is through
That I'd lived my round of years
A useless kind that leaves behind
No record in this vale of tears;
That I had wasted all my days.

Have I shown an active interest in the welfare of the young people of my community and sought to make the place so attractive that they will prefer to remain here rather than go elsewhere?

Have I become well acquainted with my own children and tried to guide them.

Have I visited the aged and infirm members of my lodge and sought to make their declining years happier.

Have I been foursquare in all of my dealings with my fellow men.

Membership 19,672. Net gain 113.

The Grand Lodge of Chile and of Ecuador were recognized .

From the report on the Committee on Necrology we take these striking quotations:

"Strike from mankind the principle of faith and men would have no more history than a flock of sheep." Bulwer Lytton). "The steps of faith fall on the seeming void and find the Rock beneath." (Whittier). But greater than faith or hope is charity or love and so we are led to pray ("the living and the dead but one communion make"). Oh Thou, "who has taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth. Send Thy Holy Spirit."

The special Committee on Masonic Homes give a most interesting report:

Wasteful giving helps no one and perhaps will result in a shortening of our ability to give later on.

Are there any brothers or dependents or widows of brothers who are not now, under our present system, being cared for adequately and satisfactorily in every sense of the word?

Are the treasuries of local lodges, operating in a large number of instances on dues wholly inadequate to meet charity needs and other expenses, able to treat charity appeals in the generous way they deserve?

We are of the opinion that whatever we may consider about a Masonic Home should be confined to a single plant large enough to take care of our probable needs for a considerable time ahead, rather than multiple plants, because of the largely increased overhead in the maintenance of the latter.

Assessment and the burden of taxation is affecting many Grand Lodges. This action was taken:

We further recommend that the Trustees of the Grand Lodge be authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to have the liability of the Masonic Temple to taxation determined by the Supreme Court.

Nine Past Grand Masters reported for faithful duty.

Aaron H. Grout was elected Grand Master.

The Committee on Jurisprudence report:

It is not necessary that a ballot be taken at once on a petition after the report of the Investigating Committee has been received, but that the Worshipful Master may order the action deferred or that the Lodge itself by proper vote may defer action.

360 Master Masons of Vermont died during the year.

Vermont boasts a flourishing Veteran's Association apparently a jolly crowd:

After the younger members of the fraternity (awaiting in the ante-room) not yet having come of age were invited in, all were delightfully entertained by Peter Murray, "Professor of Laughology," of Boston.

Canada is represented by George B. Wheeler and Vermont by William H. Tudhope of Orillia.

The Foreign Correspondence Report is by the veteran Grand Secretary Archie S. Harriman, who presents what he calls his seventh attempt to read and digest the Proceedings of sister Grand Lodges. What he is trying to do he has succeeded in doing.

The Alabama Reviewer notes a common experience:

He had read the Proceedings he reviews at odd moments and often "made my comments hurriedly." The method gives an effect of spontaneity which more leisure would spoil. Brother Clemmons has done the reviews well.

In the Alberta Review we read:

VICTORIA

His Excellency Lord Somers, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C., M.W. Grand Master, William Stewart, R.W. Grand Secretary.

At the Quarterly Communication held at Melbourne, 20th of March, 1929, there were visitors from South America, England, Tasmania and Western and South Australia.

Canada was duly represented at this and other meetings during the year by R.W. Bro. W. Kemp.

A very high and worthy tribute was paid on the occasion of the tragic death of M.W. Bro. Mr. Justice Stumm of the Supreme Court of Queensland, who was killed in a motor accident.

The Board of General Purposes held twelve meetings during the year.

The assets of Grand Lodge are approximately £150,000.

Many exclusions, as they are called in the south, are reported and several exclusions were removed.

Membership 48,780. Net increases 2,009, a good record.

During the installation ceremony of His Excellency Lord Somers the Brethren sang:

Full and harmonious, let the joyous chorus
Burst from our lips in one glad song of praise;
Hail to the Art whose glory beameth o'er us,
Loud to the heav'ns above our voices raise.
Ages have passed since first our Art descended,
Ages and ages may it yet remain.
Join every heart in one full chorus blended,
Long may our noble Art high state maintain.

In the Grand Master's address he gave some interesting details:

Twenty-one new lodges were consecrated during the year. The total of active lodges on the register of Grand Lodge now numbers 440. Our best wishes go to them, and may their work and influence uphold the highest traditions of Freemasonry.

The erection of the Freemasons' Intermediate Hospital and Nursing Home at Brighton, cost approximately £66,000, and, in addition £3,500 for furnishing and fencing.

We must all be gratified to feel that the brethren are assisting so materially in the erection of this Great Memorial Shrine.

I had the satisfaction of taking part in the opening ceremony of our new Convalescent Home.

After the investiture the choir sang "The Heavens are Telling" (Haydn).

Letters of apology for absence and congratulations were, read from all the Australian Grand Masters.

Quarterly Communication held 19th June, 1929; the Grand Master was absent in England.

The death of M.W. Bro. Hickford is recorded with this tribute:

The world is poorer to-day by the passing of Bro. Hickford but the great influence for good which he exercised gives us confidence in saying that the good work in which he took part will continue to go forward, and that our Institution has been sweetened and greatly enriched by the great things he has done for us.

Our own Grand Lodge shared equally with others in the great forward movement,

One who, to all the heights of learning bred,

Read books and men, and practised what he read.

The choir rendered "The Long Day Closes"; music is a special feature of Victoria Grand Lodge.

In the fine report on the Intermediate Hospital and Nursing Home for Aged and Infirm Freemasons now being erected, we read:

An Intermediate Hospital was one which would accommodate those who did not wish to go into a free hospital, and on account of the high fees could not afford to enter a private hospital. An Intermediate Hospital provided for those of limited means and who could only afford small fees.

In the Old Country they had what was known as a Good Samaritan Fund, which was supplied to some extent by collections taken up at the supper tables on Installation nights. Some £4,000 was collected by this means in England, and that money went to pay the hospital fees of men who were unable to pay.

As usual, with each meeting, the Country members were given a hearty and special welcome and invited to supper on the invitation of the Pro Grand Master and Grand Officers.

Quarterly Communication 18th September, 1929, when the death of Archbishop Riley of Perth, was recorded with this tribute:

His brilliant personality has left a revered impression on the character of the people.

He was buried with Masonic Honours at the Karra-katta Cemetery at the conclusion of a great Military Funeral.

Laxity in the admission of visitors is strongly condemned by the Pro Grand Master:

In some lodges visitors are still announced as "Visiting Brethren vouched for." I desire to say this must not con-

tinue, and would ask all Assistant Inspectors of Workings to visit every lodge on their list and report to me concerning each lodge prior to the December Communication. I do not want a general reply, but a definite statement regarding the practice adopted in each lodge, and that every visitor must be announced with the name of the brother in the lodge vouching for such visitor.

Bro. A. B. Rice of Toronto, was appointed by the Grand Master to succeed the late M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson as Grand Representative of Victoria.

The Board of General Purposes are stiffening up the admission of visitors requirement:

The Board has decided that a card of identification shall be adopted by subordinate lodges, in connection with the admission of visitors.

The choir was thus praised:

The Pro Grand Master said: "I am sure that I am expressing your feelings that the singing of the Anthem, "The Souls of the Righteous are in the Hands of God," by the choir was most appropriate.

Might not we have in Canada more music, not merely to add to the interest and beauty of the Proceedings, but also to develop latent talent and secure harmonious, rhythmic and co-operative work.

Quarterly Communication at Melbourne, December 18, 1929, His Excellency the Grand Master on the throne.

The Grand Representative of Egypt was present and received the jewel of his office with this comment:

Bro. Mackenzie will make a study of the ancient history of Egypt and he will bring us up to date in the history of that key country, for it was a key country in so far as it concerned the route which connected Great Britain and Australia.

The Grand Master was renominated in the following words:

It is disquieting to us to think that a time may come when we cannot nominate him. We are looking forward to his fourth year of office as the best of all and the happiest of the four. I can tell the Grand Master that his nomination is not merely of this Grand Lodge, but is the nomination of every Freemason in every lodge throughout the territory.

Some old writer has spoken about a traveller who moved with one foot and remained firm with the other. The idea was that he made good his standing place so that with confidence he returned to his place again.

In his acknowledgment the Grand Master said:

It has secured more intimate relationships with brethren in Victoria, and incidentally in other States, than I have.

As I stated in Ballarat the other night, I have been able to get past a great amount of formality, and to meet the brethren.

In a little conversation I have had with the Pro Grand Master, who comes and gingers me up occasionally, we discussed our future.

Many additions were made to the Grand Lodge Library and Museum. How many donations do we receive from individual Masons for this purpose? Does the Craft recognize that we have a beautiful library but virtually no museum of any pretensions in Canada.

Fraternal relationship is maintained by each Grand Representative selecting from the Report of the Proceedings of his respective Grand Lodge interesting items with regard to the development of Freemasonry.

Walter Kemp in the course of his summary of Canada says:

It is the custom in Canada to charge a dispensation fee to any lodge desiring to attend divine service, but the Grand Master remarks that the Masonic Order has always been the strong ally of the Church, and that the practice of lodges attending divine worship is one that should receive every encouragement. He therefore recommends that for the future no fee be charged for a dispensation on this account.

A ballot on an application for initiation was declared invalid, on the ground that members in the ante-room were not notified, and were thereby prevented from voting. As the rulings of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada are usually based upon sound Masonic law of universal application, it behoves our own reigning Masters to see that no such informality arises in their respective lodges.

Among other facts, the Canadian authorities have ascertained that death is responsible for less than one-half of the actual loss in membership, and the statistics given are well worth study by the members of our own "Drift" Sub-committee of the Board of General Purposes.

It was moved by a R.W. Brother, that the Grand Master's ban upon members of the Craft becoming members of certain other societies is an improper interference with the civil rights of the members.

We rejoice to find that the motion was rejected, only two (presumably the mover and seconder) voting for it.

In Canada, as with our own territory, the subordinate lodges appear to be content to get rid of evil doers from their own lodges by indefinite suspension, but the Board on Grievances and Appeals takes a wider view, and for the good of the whole Craft frequently accepts the findings of

the subordinate lodge as to the facts, but recommends to Grand Lodge a punishment of expulsion instead of suspension.

Florida gives Alexander Cameron this opportunity:

We can best understand and appreciate anything by first having in our minds a clear understanding of a correct definition of that thing. We can best understand and appreciate Freemasonry when we clearly understand the meaning of Freemasonry. Freemasonry presents us with three classes of tools or implements, and requires us to become skilful in their use. The first class of tools or implements are what might be termed the tools of preparation, which we use to prepare the materials to fit them for the builder's use. The second class of tools are what might be termed testing tools, by which we try or test the quality of the work upon which the preparation tools have been used.

The third class of tools are the construction tools, or the tools which are used in placing the materials, which have been shaped, tested and tried, in the superstructure of the Temple.

The name of Deity is the first word in the vocabulary of Masonry. It is the source of Masonic Light, the Spring of Masonic faith, the Shekinah of the Temple of Brotherhood. The word "God" is not so much written as ploughed into Masonic teaching and tradition.

New Zealand receives due notice and consideration from its Grand Representative:

A lengthy discussion took place on an appeal against the Board's decision refusing permission for the initiation of a blinded soldier.

In his address the Grand Master emphasized the fact that in the moral and intellectual spheres, as well as in other departments of life, the price of attainment is unceasing vigilance.

VIRGINIA

John T. Cochran, M.W. Grand Master.

James M. Clift, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The Proceedings are well printed by the Boys and Girls of the Masonic Home at Highland Springs and reflect credit upon this fact thus exemplified in practical philanthropy and education.

Several emergent Communications were held, one for laying the cornerstone of a Baptist Church building, one for unveiling and dedicating a memorial stone and inscription to the memory of Past Grand Master Randolph 1786-1789, another for laying the cornerstone of a new High School Building at which a striking address was made, from which we take the following well balanced extracts:

The temple of Solomon is typical of that great class of structures whose purpose it is to discover, preserve and promulgate the truth in its relation to the spiritual nature, progress and destiny of mankind.

This house belongs to that class whose purpose it is to discover, preserve and promulgate the truths that relate to the physical environment, the social life and the intellectual growth of man. So closely allied are the functions of these two great classes, that the principles which apply to the successful life of the one, apply with equal force to that of the other. It is fitting, therefore, that the temple of learning should be fashioned as carefully and symbolically as is the temple of religion.

This house shall bear everywhere evidence of good craftsmanship according to its purpose. We desire that it shall look toward the east for the rising sun of lifegiving power. We desire that it shall look toward the south in full daylight over the broad fields of human endeavor. We desire that it shall look toward the west in full confidence that tomorrow shall garner the fruits of its labors. It is very fitting, Worshipful Master, that your honorable order should see that all these things are well and truly done.

The One hundred and Fifty-second Annual Communication was held in Richmond, February 11, 1930.

Canada was represented by William S. Pettit of Richmond.

The Grand Master in the preliminary of his address thus described the passing of a member of the Masonic Home Committee:

He received the call on July 22nd and has been translated from this imperfect to that all perfect, glorious and celestial Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the universe in His glory presides.

Grand Lodge laid no less than twenty-one cornerstones during the year.

Like every other Grand Master, he is an enthusiast for the Masonic Home, of which he thus speaks:

The Home, with its spacious roof sheltering and protecting 246 of heaven's choicest jewels, has now become the center of attraction of all the Masons in Virginia and is our chief joy and greatest asset. The children are first in our thoughts and occupy a warm spot in our hearts.

He gives a few extracts from President Watres' address on the George Washington Memorial, from which we take two paragraphs:

It is true that we cannot by this Temple, or any other Temple, add to the unquenchable lustre of Washington's name, no more than we can create a new planet to shed its splendor among the stars.

The granite of our Temple will be neither mute nor inarticulate. Its message throughout the coming years will not be misunderstood nor misinterpreted. It will eloquently tell the world that Masons are builders.

One of his decisions reads:

That it is not proper or regular for the Master of a Lodge to perform the burial service without opening a Master Mason's lodge.

He has had an active year:

Occupying as I do by your graciousness the dual role of Grand Master of Masons and Grand Lecturer of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

The appendix to his address is longer than the address itself, showing his activities.

The Committee part with him with this eulogy:

In surrendering the gavel our Grand Master terminates his official control over the Craft, but the brethren will long remember the wise and pleasant touch of his master hand.

D.G.M. Rev. Frank Talbott McFaden was elected Grand Master.

Virginia has sixty Districts on which the D.D.G.M's reported in brief and concise style, not one-third in length compared with those in our own Jurisdiction.

John G. McDonald of Aurora, represents Virginia.

Fraternal Correspondence is in the competent hands of R.W. Bro. James M. Clift, Grand Secretary. He is an authority on Secretaries and says in his review of Alabama:

It matters not how good a new Secretary may be, he cannot pick up and carry on effectively until he has been in office a considerable length of time. A new Secretary will carry out his Grand Lodge's laws and requirements, however.

The truth of this ruling cited in the Review of Arkansas is manifest:

Grand Master defined the duties of a District Deputy in trials, "that it is improper for him to act as either prosecutor for the lodge or to represent the accused. He should, however, assist the presiding officer, and he might with propriety preside." They still hold trials in the Lodges in Arkansas.

He says that Florida accepts out of its six foundation bases the recognition of the following:

The high worth of the human personality.

The duty of every one to labor with zeal for the common good weal.

Under Michigan he says truly:

Given time—and Masonry usually takes time—proper adjustments will come; a number of Grand Lodges are now beginning to deal with dual membership.

Silver service, flowers, etc. "All these things have their merit and send the brethren home with happy memories."

The most intimate tribute that we have found yet to the late Dr. Joseph W. Eggleston is found in the review of New Hampshire, a tribute of Harry Cheney:

How we did love him! He served four years in a Confederate battery. Fascinating, strangely so were the hours in his company, when we got him to talk about those awful years. Never a word about himself, but all of it about causes and effects, and the great men in both armies.

There was always the same reaction. He was noble in his very manliness. Virginia, in him, possessed true wealth.

England is favourably reviewed at length. He illustrates the activity of Grand Lodge by taking from the records the following account of a discussion:

Several brethren spoke in favor of it, and it appears that the President of the Board has the right to close debate on any recommendations made by the Board, and before recognizing brother Robbins the Pro-Grand Master said:

"Does any other brother wish to speak before the President closes the debate? Remember, that once the reply has been made, no one else can speak. That is the ordinary rule. (A pause). Then I call upon the President of the Board to reply."

Apparently from the notations of applause, the actual sentiment in Grand Lodge of England is little different from that of Virginia. An adroit speaker will get tumultuous applause but when some brother has made a clear and impartial statement of the question before Grand Lodge the vote is exactly contrary to the noise made.

That is what happened this time, the Board of General Purposes was upheld, apparently by a large majority.

We can best gather the favourable impression made by Canada upon our colleague's Review by quoting the following:

Canada "in the Province of Ontario" is the premier Grand Lodge to the north of us with some 565 lodges and over 114,000 members. The ancient form is noted.

We recognize in the description, the Rideau and the Chaudiere. It was not until 1854 that the village of Bytown took to itself the name of the river. Ottawa is more than a place it is the symbol of a nation.

Nearly all Grand Masters in the Dominion are continually referring to the progress of that great country, in their annual addresses. All breathe a note of true patriotism.

The method of collecting dues—or a better statement probably—the method of when dues are payable, is in most old Grand Lodges archaic and out of date. Monthly dues even to lodges of Masons are not regarded as being due at all. How are you going to keep a Mason interested in his lodge unless you make him pay his dues? Let his dues accumulate and pile up and the debt alone estops his interest. Make your dues payable annually in advance and after the riddance of the ones now far behind, which will come during the first year, you will find a much better interest in the membership.

The Australian Masonic types under New South Wales are cited as, first the Scholar, 2nd the Plodder, 3rd the Conscientious Objector, 4th the Silent Brother. There is food for thought in this.

In his conclusion our confrere says:

Among the Southern jurisdictions Georgia appears to be the leader in Masonic endeavor as well as achievement.

Additional jurisdictions have adopted dual membership during the past year, which means these will gradually come to a more liberal policy of freedom respecting its members.

A more perfect teaching of the catechism to newly made Masons will be helpful in impressing the principles of Freemasonry on the new membership.

He closes with a real compliment. Let us continue to deserve it!

A remarkable disclosure is noted that all Grand Lodges under English and Scotch constitutions, (like Canadian and Australian) either did not suffer any ill effects from the World War period, or have entirely recovered.

WASHINGTON

Arthur W. Davis, M.W. Grand Master.

Horace W. Tyler, R.W. Grand Secretary

The biography of the Grand Master is interesting and from it we learn that he was City Superintendent of Schools, is a Lawyer, and has taken an active part in the American Bar Association. This paragraph is interesting:

His year as Grand Master was notable because of five objectives: First, the establishment of a system of self-education; Second, the reprint of the Masonic Code and Monitor; Third, the systematizing of the work of the Masonic Home Committee; Fourth, arousing greater interest

in the practical application of Masonic Truths. His outstanding work was probably with the Committee on Masonic Research and Education. No fewer than 325 talks were made during the year. These talks were made after careful preparation on subjects assigned by the Committee and after extensive research and reading. The entire system was based upon the belief that Masonic education must be acquired by the individual rather than disseminated by the teacher.

The Seventy-third Communication was held in Tacoma, 17th June, 1930. As is usual in most of the U.S. Grand Lodges, musical selections preceded and were continued through the Proceedings. The record number of Past Grand Masters, twenty in all, were personally present at this salubrious centre of longevity.

Walter F. Meier duly represented Canada.

In the address of welcome and response we read:

Honest dealing between man and man, a frank feeling of brotherhood and a frank desire to be of use to all those who are around us, have gone on through the ages, struggling against opposition and against contrary tendencies.

Let us one and all meet on the level of manhood and part on the square of morality, with a warm and friendly feeling.

The address of the Grand Master began auspiciously:

Not because of any special contributions of my own, but from the sincerity, earnestness and labors of the Craft I say now: The house is in order, harmony does prevail, Masonry is bigger and better and more hopeful than on this day of 1929.

They emphasize teaching and forget that it is not the teacher, but the pupil whose efforts must be stirred.

These programs have aimed at self-education. They are hitting the mark.

The Home belongs to the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction.

It has seemed to me that we do not have as firm a belief in the teachings of Masonry as we should have; that we are prone to think of the obligations, charges and teachings of Masonry in the abstract, with not sufficient application to ourselves. I have wanted the craft to make personal application of those obligations, charges and teachings. I have hoped that we would grow "wiser and better and, consequently, happier." Freemasonry is a vital force.

He concluded with this verse:

I stand at the end of the past; where the future begins
I stand.

I, that have hope in my heart and victories still to be gained.

Under my feet the world, over my head the sky.
Here at the center of things, in the living present am I.
Membership 49,135. Net loss 286.

The reception of Grand Representatives and the reply was out of the ordinary:

This ceremony here, too, is symbolical. Surrounding our altar, as if in its defense and its protection, are assembled you Grand Representatives of nearly every Sovereign Jurisdiction with which we are in Masonic communication. We seem to feel some vibration. It must be coming from you to us, and from us to you. I read it as being "true Masonic harmony."

The sun in its diurnal course touches not a land that is not represented in this group; if not physically, yet, surely in the spirit and genius of the universality of the Institution.

The Board of Custodians of the Work reported in full and especially with regard to quotations from the Volume of the Sacred Law.

We make some instructive extracts:

My Brother: The first Degree is symbolical of youth, the second of Manhood, and the Third, or Master Mason, of old age, with its trials, its sufferings, and its termination in death.

The Second Section of this degree recites the historical or legendary traditions of Masonry, and impressively exemplifies an instance of those ennobling Masonic virtues, Fortitude and Integrity; and it symbolizes our faith in the immortality of the soul.

The Forty-seventh Problem of Euclid was a discovery of our ancient friend and Brother, the great Pythagoras, who, in his travels through Asia, Africa and Europe, was initiated into several orders of Priesthood which were the predecessors of the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. This wise philosopher enriched his mind abundantly in general knowledge, more especially in Geometry or Masonry. On this subject he drew out many problems and theorems, and among the most distinguished he erected this, when, in the joy of his heart, he exclaimed, Eureka! signifying, I have found it. This discovery was accepted by our ancient brethren as a key to the nature of the Divine Being. It inspires Masons to be lovers of the arts and sciences.

Therefore because of the Lord's faithfulness which faileth not, even in the darkest night "Hope sees a star and listening love hears the rustle of an angel's wing.

A funeral service was also set out where the Brother has been cremated.

A resolution was proposed to meet the difficulty of telephoned calls and mercenary applications, the dangers are thus set out:

Whereas, It is a common practice of such solicitors to state that they are "at the Masonic Temple" or "of the Masonic Lodge"; and

Whereas, It has been proven that in the majority of cases they are neither at the Masonic Temple nor members of the Masonic Fraternity; and,

Whereas, Claims are made of official Masonic connection or authority for the business on which calls are made when no such connection or authority exists, etc.

This resolution was dealt with by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals in the following manner:

Relative to the resolution adopted by Daniel Bagley Lodge, in condemnation of the growing practice of soliciting members of lodges by telephone, and otherwise, to purchase tickets or otherwise lend support for enterprises claimed to be of a Masonic character, or to have been authorized by some Masonic body, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals is of the opinion that the practice referred to is highly improper and inexcusable, and we recommend that the matter be referred to the Grand Master for such action during the coming year as he may deem proper to bring to the attention of the Brethren the impropriety of participating in or countenancing such practice.

Grand Lodge visited the Masonic Home in a body.

Grand Orator Barker delivered an address on "The Eternal Truths of Masonry" saying:

As the worship of the Creator became confused with the worship of the thing created, thinking men began to cherish and teach eternal truth as a secret, esoteric belief. Down through the ages, these truths were kept alive separate and apart from the popular religion until, from the Egyptian Book of the Dead, we find them the basis of a great secret system, a system divided into degrees, safeguarded by obligations and communicating its teachings by symbols and allegories, with advancement of the individual depending upon proficiency in the teachings received.

Masonry is a repository of these eternal truths.

Grand Historian Chadwick reported on the history of the Grand Lodge and of Negro Masonry.

William C. Bates was elected Grand Master.

In the Report of the Committee on Obituaries we read:

Each week of the past year has been commencement week for a number of our beloved brethren—the time when, having completed the schooling in this earthly life, they have left the unknown x plus y of mortality and have been advanced to higher spheres of existence.

The report of the Committee on Grievance and Appeals is striking and comprehensive in conception.

In Masonry, every offense is a crime, because, in every violation of a Masonic law there is not only sometimes an infringement of the rights of an individual, but always, superinduced upon this, a breach and violation of public rights and duties, which affect the whole community of the Order considered as a community.

He then proceeds to an enumeration of the classes of Masonic offenses, and classifies them as, (1) offenses against the moral law; (2) transgressions of the municipal law, or law of the land; and (3) violations of the Landmarks and Regulations of the Order.

Frank A. Copus of Stratford, represents Washington.

E. H. Van Patten, P.G.M. is the Committee on Correspondence. When he presented his report to Grand Lodge he said:

We went aboard the good ship "Courtesy", and although said voyage did not extend beyond the limits of our library, yet we visited every English speaking Grand Jurisdiction, and have tried to take verbal pictures of every notable event. The excursion has been so delightful that we have tried to convey in our report the beauties of language, the notable events, both ceremonial and of a legal character in order that those who are interested may share with us the visions of Masonic doings of the world.

In addition he writes an excellent Foreword, which makes his readers think, on the fertile subject of "Is Masonry Shifting Its Base?" Space only permits the following illustrations of his style and matter:

"As firm as the everlasting hills," is an expression which is often heard from the lips of orators, or those who wish to express the unchangeableness of nature in its manifold forms. Yet, how many of us realize that even the apparently most stable things in nature are slowly shifting.

Nothing seems to be as stable as we imagine.

We glory in what we call our Ancient Landmarks and fondly express the belief that they will never be outgrown or superseded by any other forms.

And yet who feels sure that he knows just what the real Landmarks are?

A recent analysis of the landmarks of Masonry relegates many of the so-called Landmarks to the realm of Masonic usage rather than to that of real Landmarks.

They glimpsed certain central ideas which formed a nucleus upon which man has ever since been building skyscrapers of speculation, only find that the plumb-line must always be used at every step or the structure will become top-heavy.

The greatest danger which we must face at this time is not the great losses which we are sustaining in membership, but rather the ultimate effect of raw enthusiasm on the one hand, and the injection of half-baked ideas into our system on the other.

Under Alabama we always find something interesting in the Review:

For instance in such expressions as "The Celestial Lodge Above," they say that if the lodge is celestial that it is tautological to say "above" also. However, Brother Clegg justly says: "The truth is that these examples indicate age if not antiquity." The Bible is full of just such expressions.

Man everywhere finds himself encompassed with symbols, accordingly recognized as such, or not recognized. The universe is but one vast symbol of God, nay, if thou wilt have it, what is man himself but a symbol of God; is not all that he does symbolical; a revelation to Sense of the mystic God-given force that is in him; Not a hut he builds but is the visible embodiment of a thought; but bears visible record of invisible things, but is in the Transcendental sense, symbolical as well as real.

He pays special attention to Alberta and quotes:

The Masonic carpet is full of symbols. They are cabalistic signs to the uninitiated, full of mystery and magic.

When our primeval ancestors learned by groups of sounds to indicate objects, they were laying the foundation for the upward progress of the race. For the spoken word is merely a symbol of an idea that is expressed. H. G. Wells says in his "Outline of History" that "the elaboration of articulate speech gave men a mental handhold for consecutive thought and a vast enlargement of their powers of co-operation." Articulate speech is composed of vocal symbols of ideas and things.

Under California this comment:

California has revised its burial service so as to cut out the so-called lugubrious part, or at least, so they say.

There are more hobbyriders, more constructors of systems among so-called Masonic scholars than in any other subject of research.

In review of Canada he refers to the excellent portrait of Grand Master Dargavel which graces the front page of our Proceedings. Quoting from Grand Master Martin's composite address as to members and Masons, he says:

How true that is, is fully realized by those who have studied the matter at all. Mere membership in a lodge does not make a real Mason.

Referring to the Memorial Fund and the lessons of history he pays us this commendation:

Noble sentiments coming from a noble purpose and given to a class of men who are prepared for such teaching.

Of the Report on the Condition of Masonry he says:

The above is very suggestive and the idea may be appropriated by our own lodges with advantage. We need something more than mere ritual work in our lodges to hold the interest of its thinking members.

Of our own Review he is generously encouraging:

The report on Correspondence is again from the pen of Brother Ponton, and is one of the best that we have read so far.

He has the happy faculty of making choice selections from the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, and in making them he displays the fact that he has read the proceedings thoroughly.

The fact that he quotes what we have to say under the several Grand Jurisdictions shows that he reads closely and well.

Scotland comes in for full attention and comment. We reproduce part of his review:

At the banquet, when the Earl of Donoughmore was called upon he mentioned the national food of Scotland, the haggis.

It is a tribute to the power of Scottish people to keep their secrets about this. No foreigner has ever found out what a haggis is made of, but I have a strong belief on the point, and I hope you will not shatter that belief. I believe that every Scottish housewife in making up that delightful mixture adds a sprig of white heather for luck, and if that is so, brethren, we have no reason to fear ill until we eat the haggis again next year.

From the number of noblemen present at the meeting, we feel sure that the Scottish Masons do select none but worthy candidates for the degrees.

From the little experience we have had with foreign Masons, we are of the opinion that the English, Scottish and Irish Lodges do select a high class of men for their members. There does not seem to be among them the great desire for mere numbers that exists with us, and their lodges are therefore more homogeneous and the best of good fellowship exists among the membership on that account.

South Australia Review produces the following:

A lodge may be so large that it is unwieldy and only, a few of its members can ever hope for the privilege of ever taking a part in the ceremonies or of even enjoying its social privileges.

His reviews end with Wyoming and this verse:

When a feller wears a button
Just like the one you do.
Don't you think that it'd be right nice
To say, "Brother! How D'ye do?"
Don't have to know his family name,
That needn't count with you,
When a feller wears a button
Just like the one you do.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Alexander Cunningham McCallum, M.B.E., M.W.
Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

An In Memoriam Service was held in Perth, 25th July, 1929, for the late M.W. Grand Master Archbishop Riley, who died rich and ripe in years and honours.

The then Deputy Grand Master McCallum paid this, one of many tributes:

He regarded friendship as one of the most important of life's duties and looked upon the Craft as a great influence for the creation of a feeling of friendliness amongst all men. His great gifts were not only used within the Craft, but they were extended to every citizen throughout the State.

After prayer by Grand Chaplain Vine a hymn was sung:

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night,
Before the rising sun.

Then R.W. Bro. McMullen delivered an address of eulogy, as did R.W. Bro. Battye. From their appealing words we take the following:

His benevolent kindliness was ever present. His consideration for the feelings of others was always in evidence: even when he turned a joke upon us there was no smart afterwards.

Never forgetting that there should be a well-established system of primary education, he threw his great weight into the coping stone of our educational ideals, and from the time that the University was first mooted was a staunch adherent of all its principles.

Deputy Grand Master McCallum is full of interest in Masonic dress. He says:

In the world outside the Craft it has always been the practice to wear a white tie with full evening dress, but with the advent of the dinner jacket came in the custom of wearing a black tie. No doubt, this has had something to do with the growing habit of wearing a black tie with a dinner jacket when attending Masonic functions.

In the Craft we follow its antient customs, and do not attempt to copy any changes of apparel that may occur outside.

The custom of wearing a white tie is practised in most of the English lodges, the exceptions being in lodges in large cities, where the meeting frequently takes place at 5 p.m., and brethren go direct from their business to the lodge. Even in those cases the Officers of the lodge must wear evening dress and white ties.

The black tie has no place in Antient Freemasonry, and I am hopeful that brethren attending lodges will conform to the old custom of wearing a white tie.

With regard to the proposed amalgamation of Constitutions with the Scottish, a basis of eight articles has been laid down, the first illustrating the tenacity of the Scot being:

That Scottish lodges and brethren having distinctive regalia at the time of union be permitted to continue wearing that regalia during their pleasure.

Quarterly Communication 28th November, 1929, at which the Grand Secretary, who has recovered after his holiday in the Old Country, was welcomed back.

A visit from His Excellency Lord Stonehaven was announced.

£2,000 was generously handed to Mrs. Riley, widow of the late Grand Master, being the total amount of the Memorial Fund.

Quarterly Communication held 27th February, 1930.

A motion that no brother shall continue as Grand Master for more than three years in succession was overwhelmingly defeated on the ground that this was a distinct attempt to limit the powers of Grand Lodge and to limit its power of choice.

A dispensation was granted to initiate a candidate under the age of 21 years.

Grand Lodge celebrated its 30th anniversary and appropriate speeches were made.

The Annual Communication was held at Perth, 22nd May, 1930, when Grand Master McCallum was installed as Grand Master by M.W. Bro. Goulston of New South Wales.

Membership and increase is shown in the following:

When this Grand Lodge was formed in 1900, the lodges comprising it had a total approximate membership of 2,000, which has now been increased to 8,897, showing a net gain of 389 for the year.

Average attendance is thus spoken of and it is a pleasing contrast to the record of many Grand Jurisdictions:

To illustrate: of a group of 10 lodges, all with a life of 30 to 40 years, the average attendance over a period of six months was 38 %, whereas in the case of another lodge of similar life the average was 55 %. The higher average was due entirely to organized effort on the part of the Master, officers, and brethren, to induce the reform of chronic absentees.

Of the committee on Foreign Correspondence report:

There are no better means known of educating the local Freemasons as to the world-wide nature of our Institutions and the work it is doing at the present day. It is a matter of great delight to know that practically every year the whole of the volumes are purchased.

Cahada was represented by H. B. Collett; W. J. Mooney represents Western Australia.

Foreign Correspondence is again in the hands and heart of James W. E. Archdeacon, whose reviews have been favourably noted in every Grand Jurisdiction. He gives a most interesting Foreword from which we cannot resist making the following quotations.

Probably unique in the annals of British Empire Freemasonry were the deaths of three Grand Masters during 1929, all within a few months of each other.

In the Old Charges it was said, that "he loved Masons"; surely, to have the memory of such a man is to inspire the feeling that we have not lost everything by his death, but rather are rich in our memory of one so great and revered.

Of the "drift" he says:

The measure of success obtained is negligible, compared with the appalling number of brethren who cease to enjoy the honourable title, "Masons in good standing."

One is loth to believe that their disregard for all these is wholly and solely their own fault. Blame must attach in other quarters, and amongst those who care there is a feeling that Masonic leaders should seriously take this drift into consideration, and endeavour to devise some means of remedying the evil.

This thoroughly American heading, "Catching Them While Young". The writer of the article, while admitting that it is for both old and young Masons that we labour, holds that strategically, the latter are the more important for the future.

Do not merely repeat a meaningless formula memorized after the fashion of a parrot, or ground out mechanically like a gramophone, with less effect or conviction than the bird of green and iridescent plumage says, "Polly wants a cracker."

In reviewing American Grand Lodges, it is impossible to avoid a feeling of amazement at the prodigious amount of legislation continually taking place.

In a year or so, it is found that the youngster has not developed the desired number of teeth, and it goes back to Doctor Grand Lodge for further treatment. One sometimes wonders where this legislative urge will end—whether the time is not approaching when American Masonic law will meet the cynical gibe an American Senator uttered to me concerning the public legislation of the United States. Said he: "Uncle Sam has millions of statutes, thousands who know of them, hundreds who understand them, and units who obey them."

Palaces too stately are being built for the Craft, and the blessing promised to him "who considereth the poor and needy" forgotten when it might be earned by adding the amount expended unnecessarily to that which we spend in our "mission of those who love in the service of those who suffer."

We read in the Alberta review:

There is a growing feeling in many parts of the Empire that the discouragement exhibited by the Mother Grand Lodge towards Masonic funerals is well-founded. The circumstances which, at one time—in the Operative days—called for such a service, in order that a stranger brother should not be buried without funeral rites, no longer exists today. In the United States a brief obtains that the Masonic burial service is entirely of American creation, and that neither of the Grand Lodges of the Three Kingdoms provide for such a ceremony. Such a belief is entirely erroneous. The ceremony has been in existence for generations, but of late years has fallen into disuse, especially in England, and almost as greatly in Australia.

Our colleague apparently does not approve of Divine Service for Masons clothed as such:

During the year, out of 36 dispensations granted, 14 gave permission to lodges to attend Divine service in regalia. It "gives one furiously to think," as the French say, where the need for such display is to be found.

It establishes contact officially and personally, collectively and individually.

Be attuned to the Call to Prayer. In all Thy ways acknowledge Him. This is our answer.

He makes comment that Western Australia has not been reviewed by British Columbia, as follows:

What has Western Australia done, or left undone, that its book does not occupy a place in Bro. De Wolf-Smith's reviews? Surely, there have not been three annual miscarriages.

Canada at Ottawa is appreciatively reviewed. He comments upon the very large attendance, upon the Grand Master's address, the necessary mileage, and on the growing increase in demits and suspensions, saying:

The writer, after many years consideration of the subject, is increasingly of opinion that the idea contained in the first suggestion, if acted upon, will do more than anything else that can be tried to stem the appalling tide of demits and suspensions—the latter mainly for N.P.D. It will not be properly acted upon, however, till Masters and Lodges rid themselves of that obsession that "work" is restricted to conferring degrees, and to the exhibition of ritualistic perfection.

He actually read the Reports of our District Deputies and pays Sarnia's District the compliment of a long quotation, which is worthy of reproducing:

A Master's ability is very readily judged by the way he conducts the business part of the meeting, and the interest and enthusiasm of the members is often in proportion with the zeal and ability of the Master. Too much caution cannot be observed in the selection of the brethren who will some day be expected to fulfil the duties of a master. The position is one of great responsibility and should only be accepted by one who has sufficient knowledge and experience to enable him, as W. Master, to preside over the lodge in a satisfactory manner, to foster a real fraternal spirit within the lodge, and generally to impart light to all the brethren by example and precept, so that the grand principles of the Order are fully maintained.

Too much time is often expended in the reiteration of degree ceremonial to the exclusion of the greater lessons of which the work is but a means of teaching. Men of intelligence and real value to the organization often remain away from our meetings because they are satiated by constant reference to degree work, with nothing to inspire new thought or urge to productive work.

He praises the Report on the Condition of Masonry and comments kindly on our review which he favourably finds painstaking and discriminating and adds these good words:

It is a treat, both intellectual and informative, to spend an hour or two at a time reading and digesting these admirable reviews, and in laying down the book a feeling that the time has been well spent is experienced.

We heartily reciprocate his kindly expressions:

Under New York and Scotland we read:

The Scottish Ancestry of Freemasonry. Under separate captions it deals with the Scot generally, and the peculiar blend of romance and practicality in his composition; Ramsay's version of the origin of Freemasonry, the Scottish Mason Craft in the XVth Century; the incorporation of the Masons and the Wrights, 1475; the "Luge" (the old Scottish form of the word "Lodge"; indeed, the reviewer has often heard Scotsmen of the present day so pronounce it).

Of New York's review generally he says that it is virtually a "Masonic Annual Register" and we agree.

Of New Zealand's "dream of fair women" and Ladies' Night in the Lodges he comments banteringly:

A suggestion made that the dismantling of the lodge-room should precede the entrance of the dream of fair women met with support, but similar good fortune did not happen to a brother, who, greatly daring, had not only lectured more or less Masonically to ladies at a Masonic function, but announced his daring to Grand Lodge, and was in no way sorry. Also, a distinction was drawn by speakers between "the sex" in an undedicated room and "the sex" in a dedicated one, and another curious distinction was that (these are the *ipsissima verba*) "between holding dances and banquets in lodge rooms, and holding functions at which ladies were present, and in which the items of the programme were of a sacred nature. If the use of the lodge room by ladies were of the latter character, it could only end in good." Another section seemed to fear that the daughters of Eve would grow horribly inquisitive if the room was dismantled, and yet another saw in their admission into a fully equipped room an impressive something that would convince Madame Wife that "going to Lodge" should not be procreative of a Caudle lecture, while still another besought the brethren "Let us all be wise and become King Solomons," reminding them how that monarch had taken the Queen of Sheba through the Temple. Eventually the motion merely referred the whole matter back to the Board, and was agreed to in that form.

WEST VIRGINIA

Dorsey C. Peck, M.W. Grand Master.

George S. Laidley, M.W. Grand Secretary.

A special Communication was held to conduct the funeral services of Past Grand Master Myers, to whom this tribute was paid:

Bro. Myers was by birth and nature a gentleman and aristocrat who went about the duties of his profession with helpful words of comfort and kind and friendly acts for all who were in sickness or distress. With unstinted devotion

he rendered aid to rich and poor alike. In that larger, broader and nobler sense he was indeed "his Brother's keeper."

The Sixty-sixth Communication was held in Wheeling, 8th October, 1930, with a fine array of working Past Grand Masters, all eighteen together.

Colonel Wyley, Representative in England of West Virginia, sent a letter in which he said:

I hope in the near future I may have the pleasure of welcoming in my own home any Representative of West Virginia who may visit the old Country.

I feel strongly that Masonry is a silver link which binds us together in one great Brotherhood.

Canada was duly represented by George W. McClintic.

A fine address of welcome was given to the Grand Representatives:

You may have the coal, the tracks, the water, the boiler—it would still remain inert were it not for this fire of Masonic enthusiasm which we trust you will receive here.

At the beginning of his address the Grand Master said:

Freemasonry has stood the test of time and defied the erosion of the ages, and its great and fundamental truths are as capable of practical interpretation in our time as they were in the days of Solomon. Heedless of the systematic clamor of the bigot, it constantly endeavors to extend the frontiers of peace and happiness of all free and enlightened peoples.

He spoke on clandestine Masonry, (through which the State has been perturbed) with no uncertain sound. They had actually obtained a Charter from the Secretary of State in 1929. The chief promoter of the organization is one George C. Phillips, who styles himself "travelling Lecturer". The following narrative is interesting:

These racketeers of the organizing Department grew more bold all the time until finally in June three young men in Taylor County were duped into joining this organization. One of them told me it required about thirty to forty minutes to receive the work of the Blue Lodge degrees. After learning the wrong and injustice that had been done them they went before the Prosecuting Attorney and swore out warrants for the arrest of Stonestreet and Phillips for obtaining money under false pretenses, and they were arrested in Morgantown.

Stonestreet and another of his followers, I am informed, were later arrested on a similar charge.

These court activities against these men seem to have discouraged them very greatly and they have now expressed a willingness to surrender their charters and cease activities in our Jurisdiction if prosecution can be stopped.

It is my feeling in the matter that they are now looking for a loop-hole through which to save themselves from spending some time in the State Penitentiary.

Laxness on the part of any lodge in failing thoroughly to investigate the petitioner, and to assure itself of the regularity of the lodge from which he comes, is to my mind inexcusable and should not be lightly or indifferently treated.

Of the Masonic Home he well says:

This Home stands as a monument to the true principles of Freemasonry put into action by the Craft in our State.

They have no dual membership in West Virginia and the recognition of that feature (the only reasonable one), in Virginia, makes for complications between the two neighboring Jurisdictions.

The use of lodgerooms for Tall Cedars, Grotto, Sciots, etc., etc., is discountenanced.

Among his decisions are the following:

A lodge cannot buy or sell real estate for any purpose until the proposal therefor shall be entered upon the minutes of a stated communication, and then a written notice, giving full particulars and times of such proposed transaction, shall be mailed to each member of such lodge, and such written notice shall plainly and clearly give the date for the consideration of such proposal.

A letter from a W. Master of one of our Subordinate lodges stated that the amount of back dues owing in his lodge was \$3,800. This no doubt, is caused by the fact that some time ago this lodge erected a Temple, and not having sufficient funds with which to finance it, raised the dues to \$15.00 per year.

A little lady from the Masonic Home was chosen as May Queen by the pupils of the Public Grade Schools.

Acknowledgment is given of a legacy of \$30,000 and another of \$5,000. This is the result universally in all Jurisdictions that have Homes.

At the memorial service for Past Grand Master Myers, M.W. Bro. Nadenbousch quoted:

Let ministers of grace attend my soul,
To ports of peace and into isles of balm.
Let harmonies of joy around me roll,
As o'er the deep I sweep into the calm
Resplendent heights of heaven's starry dome,
When I set sail for home.

W. T. Morris was elected Grand Master.

On the presentation of a jewel and apron to Grand Master Peck we read:

Grand Master Peck is not entering into membership in the "Society of the Has-Beens." He is rather being inducted into the Royal Family of Masonry, to sit in coun-

cil with the grand dukes and elder statesmen of the Craft who reign and rule over us with a heavy hand, but with honor to themselves and profit to the Fraternity. Speaking for the subordinate membership, we rather enjoy this benevolent despotism in a voluntary servitude to the Royal House of David and Solomon. Moreover, we make a new Solomon each year.

He has found time all these years to labor with the Craft—time taken from the busy practice of the healing arts of medicine and surgery which have commanded his talents until the surgeon's knife in his deft hand is a magic wand, mending the broken bodies of men and women and restoring peace to their troubled minds.

Membership 34,534. Gain 1 and that one is precious.

Joseph Fowler of Sudbury, in the true north, represents West Virginia.

Lewis N. Tavenner, P.G.M., presents his 6th Annual Review of sister Grand Lodges, saying in his introduction:

Blue Lodge is coming into its own.

Aside from Templarism and Scottish Rite, recognized in our United States as Concordant, other bodies requiring membership in Masonic Lodge as prerequisite are not meeting with much favor.

But little regret is seemingly felt at lopping off dead timber by suspension for nonpayment of dues; as one so well says we need better Masons in stead of more, another says it is easier to get a bad man in than it is to get him out.

The sentiment grows opposing too large in number of members, favoring more and smaller lodges.

In his review of Alabama we read:

Our Grand Masters of the past have differed as to propriety of laying corner stones on Sunday, but as that is not the Sabbath recognized by King Solomon we are left to conjecture why he should have refused in his day if the custom then prevailed—so much doubted.

A pleasant reference to Canada occurs in the review of Alberta:

He favors paying ministers of the Gospel sufficient salaries enabling them to pay their way and asks "are we not pauperizing or at least belittling the profession of ministers of the Gospel by all special financial considerations accorded them in every walk."

Not the least interesting, and that is saying something, are his warnings to Grand Master John A. Rowland, of Canada in Ontario, referring to the latter's remarks about the Order of the Eastern Star, which we quote "Poor old Adam routed out of Eden by a woman. Look out Bro.

Rowland. Your Paradise has been invaded by the Eastern Star. Will history repeat itself? We fear so."

This from Arkansas:

To put it in our own imagery, the Magna Charta, the Bill of Rights, and the Habeas Corpus Act were like the Entered Apprentices Degree in the great initiation into free government. The Bill of Rights and Constitution framed by various Colonies, and even the Declaration of Independence, may be called the Second Degree, in which Fellows in the sublime Craft of Freedom wrought brilliantly. At last, as the Master Degree, after the shadow of war, with its blood and fire and tears, came the Constitution, the final expression in a single document in permanent and definite form, of the will of a free people." * * * "Our religion must be a part of our patriotism, and our patriotism must be religious in its depth, warmth and power. Do we catch the vision?

You cannot legislate morals into people, nor brotherly love and patriotism into the hearts of men. This can only be done through training, environment, education and fellowship.

Two interesting extracts from the California review:

The modern American world is materialistic, mechanistic and selfish. It needs spirituality, personality and altruism. Where can it secure more solid teaching to develop these ideals than within Masonic lodges? You may answer—That is the function of the church. True.

The brethren all like to see good work. The success of the Catholic Church is due in no small degree to the strict adherence to its creed and ritual. * * The ritual is not the end, but certainly is and always will be the means to the end.

Canada's review makes reference to the faithful attendance of their Grand Representative with us. He refers with appreciation to the work of our Grand Secretary and is interested in the description of the Ottawa area.

Grand Secretary W. M. Logan's extensive report covers sixteen pages full of details for his brethren, very complete.

The Report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry receives this praise:

This Report comes nearest to recognition of indebtedness of the Craft to the District Deputies of any we have seen.

This from the Committee on the Grand Master's address:

Let us tap all the artesian wells of benevolence. Let us crown our work so well begun. Let us put our creed into our deed. This is Masonry in action.

Hands across the lakes as hands across the sea.

This Reviewer appreciates his kindly word with regard to our Review in which he says:

Under Iowa, referring to Grand Master David R. Tripp having been born on a farm he remarks that "the farm is a fruitful source of good Masons", we might add the best place to raise good men and women.

We do enjoy Bro. Ponton's reviews and hope to read many more in years to come.

From the District of Columbia Review we take the following:

It is easier to keep out a bad man than to put him out, that while the politicians visiting Washington usually drop a tear on the grave of the unknown soldier at Arlington, Masons go beyond and pay homage to the known soldier.

The greatest danger now threatening us is the Child Labor Law.

Any biographical dictionary will show that the greatest men this Republic has produced have been poor boys who labored when children.

This from Idaho Review:

Some say our obligations are too severe. Not so! They were fashioned in days of darkness, of cruelty. They were made by men who were engaged upon dangerous work.

Under Porto Rico we read:

We note with interest a difference in colors of those "for the lodges working in the Scottish Rite", from which we might infer that only some of Porto Rico lodges work in York Rite. A red streamer for the Scottish Rite workers, a blue streamer for the York Rite workers. These streamers to be flown outside of temples on feast days and on such days as the lodge or the Grand Lodge may be in session.

Porto Rico does not lag behind some of our other Grand Lodges in the matter of appendants; Grand Master recommended that Grand Lodge take over the "Zapato de los Ninos Pobres."

This truth from the South Australia Review:

Even adversity has its compensation "above all else adversity is the test of character and certainly adversity is nature's school master."

On the death of Lord Blytheswood in Scotland this graphic description:

Grand Secretary then called the name of Brother the Right Honorable the Lord Blytheswood. After three several and distinct calls, Brother Major Andrew Wilson, O.B.E., Grand Director of Ceremonies, gave the response that Brother the Lord Blytheswood had been summoned to the Grand Lodge Above. Thereafter from the West the trumpeter sounded the "Last Post."

WISCONSIN

Frank Jenks, M.W. Grand Master.

William F. Weiler, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Preceding the opening of Grand Lodge a musical recital was given.

The Eighty-sixth annual Communication opened in Milwaukee, June 10th, 1930

Fifteen of the eighteen Past Grand Masters were present—a good record.

Under Necrology in his address the Grand Master said:

The solemn notes which betoken the dissolution of this earthly tabernacle have alarmed our outer door many times during the past year, and many devoted and exemplary craftsmen have gone.

Of Charity generally, this appeal:

It has always seemed to me that we have preached too much about charity, and practiced it too little.

From several decisions we chose the following two:

A member of a lodge who has been absent for many years returns and wants to sit in the lodge of which he is a member, but no one present has sat in lodge with him. Is an examination necessary? Answer: Yes.

The brother filing the charges is not entitled to be represented by counsel. If the lodge appoints counsel for the lodge, they must pay for his services if charge is made.

With regard to the burden which all Grand Lodges apparently carry the Grand Master says under Organizations Predicating Their Membership on Freemasonry:

I believe, that the time is now at hand when we should lay down a well defined policy as to these organizations, and the junior organizations which are constantly seeking a home in our lodge rooms.

They are legion—The Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots, White Shrine, Order of De Molay, Order of Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters, Order of Amaranth, The Grotto, The Imps of Mount Moriah, and possibly others which have not yet come to my attention. During the year I have refused to grant dispensations to any of these organizations to meet in Masonic Lodge halls.

On one occasion during the past year the use of the lodge hall for a meeting with the lodge and the Grand Lecturer was questioned, and I was called on to determine whether the Order of De Molay could oust the Blue Lodge on this occasion.

In Wisconsin the physical loss of any member still disqualifies.

Canada was duly represented by Wallace M. Comstock.

Past Grand Master Rogers addressed Grand Lodge on the significant title "Will Freemasonry Survive?" In the course of his remarks he expressed the following opinions

Every century has given to the world men having ability, a genius for leadership; so too, men with no mental open-mindedness, men with looseness of thinking, men unwilling to accept or embrace new ideas, willing to travel the highway of mental inertia and decay.

This leads the way to ask will the very human institution of Freemasonry, the embodiment of noble principles, high ideals, a belief in the Fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man, reach a stage of mental inertia and possible decay.

Perusing the Masonic weekly press, monthly periodicals, the proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions, it is apparent that only fifteen to twenty-five per cent. of its lodge membership during the year are regular attendants at its lodge communications.

Our schools and colleges strive to develop leaders, having for their background intelligent perspective which is made use of to prepare men for great events.

Lodges need the presence and active participation of Masons having fertile, cultured minds, able to illuminate its fundamental principles in a way that the average layman may digest and assimilate without the use of dictionary or encyclopedia.

We should not forget that sons of darkness still stalk the earth; that there are religious, ecclesiastical, and political organizations that have never written into their code a single word in commendation of Freemasonry.

Masons should willingly accept their full share of the world's work.

May the younger generation accept the heritage of their elders with the fullest understanding of their responsibilities; and with sanity of thought, minds quickened, sincere zeal, comprehensive knowledge of the fundamentals, a high sense of the spirit of brotherhood, go forward with clear, virile minds, proclaiming, teaching, and living the uplifting ideals of Freemasonry.

Membership 62,338. Net gain 829, a fine record in view of the present slump.

The total expenditure on the Home for the year was \$67,175. The farm income was the very creditable one of \$14,814. Including the Van Brunt endowment, the grand total of assets amounts to the splendid sum of \$954,932.

The Foreign Correspondent of Wisconsin receives the handsome yearly allowance of \$1,000.

The Committee on Masonic Research report:

Among the most helpful aids received by the Committee was the letter of congratulations sent by the Grand Master to newly raised brethren, in which he urged them to follow up the instruction they had received by a continued and progressive interest, and directed their attention to the reading matter which they could obtain from us. We have filled many such requests.

Herbert N. Laflin was elected Grand Master.

The Committee on Obituaries presented a full and literary report with many interesting historical and international references:

Homer sang for the Greeks and Virgil for the Romans, Dante voiced the faith of Italians and Goethe for the Germans. Milton and Wordsworth, Tennyson and Browning, Lowell and Emerson, Whittier and Bryant wrote as few could write in our English language their strong, clear, beautiful faith in the life beyond the vale.

And philosophers, from Socrates to Plato and from Immanuel Kant, have given their testimony to the same great dogma of faith—"the faith that man's greatest pilgrimage lies beyond the grave."

There must be the porch to the temple, but it is vastly inferior to the temple proper. There may be a preface to the book which shall give some idea of the writer's purpose. The prelude may contain some hints and suggestions of the grand harmonies which are to follow. But it is not the porch or the preface or the prelude which are the important features.

And so the life that now is is so vastly inferior to the life that is to be, that we may well speak of one who has gone hence in peace as having "entered into life more abundantly," with plenty of room to grow and blossom and fulfill its God-given mission.

The Committee on Appeals emphasize the three essentials necessary to give jurisdiction to try a member (1) charges and specifications, (2) service of same upon the accused with summons informing him of time of trial, (3) appointment to preside at trial. Lodge minutes and trial minutes must show these steps and the Grand Master must be informed.

The Grand Lodge of Panama was recognized.

Of the late Grand Secretary Emeritus, W. W. Perry, these fine words are spoken:

Beneath this sheltering roof, within these sacred walls, this hallowed Temple dedicated to Freemasonry and God, I come at this hour with you to break the bread of common loss, to drink the cup of common sorrow.

He was an inspiration and guide to the younger generation who often sought his counsel and was indeed a fountain of strength and wisdom to his peers.

Gerald M. Malone of Toronto, represents Wisconsin.

For the thirty-third time Aldro Jenks, P.G.M., presents the Foreign Correspondence Review, saying in his introduction:

We have endeavored to select for your consideration matters of current interest to the Craft, which we have interspersed with comments or friendly criticism.

Alberta receives a fine notice:

This is as it should be. We always dislike to find the names and details of offenders and offenses spread upon the pages of the proceedings of a Grand Lodge where any one may read them? Dirty linen must be washed but there is no necessity or propriety in doing it in public. A lodge would be censured for giving such information to the public; why should a Grand Lodge do that which it would censure a subordinate lodge for doing?

This from British Columbia Review:

To violate these unwritten laws is a Masonic offense. Another rule illustrated is that the original jurisdiction to try brethren for a Masonic offense is vested in the Grand Lodge. A portion of this power it may, and frequently does, vest in the subordinate lodges, but it can at any time resume its power and proceed to try offenders. This it does because it is vested with all the attributes of sovereignty, legislative, administrative and judicial, and is supreme, subject only to its own Constitution and the ancient Landmarks.

We appreciate his considerate review of Canada and make the following extracts:

He states that "the customary number of dispensations has been issued to allow men physically imperfect to enter our ranks." What the "customary number" may be in that Grand Jurisdiction is not stated, but within Wisconsin it could be represented by a cipher. If a candidate possesses the necessary qualifications no dispensation is required and, if he does not, the Grand Master is not possessed with the power to waive the requirements of a landmark.

In every Grand Lodge efforts to further Masonic study are being made manifest, but unfortunately the great mass of our membership takes little or no interest in the subject.

The ideals of a few advanced thinkers of one age become the actualities of succeeding ages. The vision of the glories of war is being effaced by that of the blessings of peace and brotherly love. Some day this vision will become a reality. In bringing this about Freemasonry, with benign influence, must play an important part.

On the whole he likes our Fraternal Correspondence, but takes a point of order that our Report should not be adopted but should simply be received and ordered printed with the Proceedings. Perhaps he is right. Reviewers are always ready to use the Prince of Wales' phrase—"Adopt, Adapt and Improve."

Our colleague says the sentiment in favor of dual and plural membership is growing.

This thought under Florida:

The world has never yet got a vision of a great moral reform that in time it has not achieved it, supplemented by public opinion.

Of the Past Master's Degree under New York, he says:

This is strictly correct; the so-called Past Master's Degree is merely a part, and not an essential one, of the installation of the Worshipful Master of a Lodge. In Capitular Masonry there is, of course, a Past Master's Degree, but to speak frankly we do not think Capitular Masonry would suffer by its elimination.

To be prudent, discreet and temperate is taught in the following extract from North Carolina:

The humblest member has the same right to a hearing as the oldest member. If he has a real message he will be heard with attention and interest, but if he merely desires to show himself and "say something" it might be just as well to remain silent.

He sums up his Review by a worthy conclusion, pointing out that there are approximately 4,410,000 Masons, of which over 4,000,000 are found in English speaking countries.

He says generally and thoughtfully:

It is universal only in the fact that its beneficent doctrines are of universal application and that all, without regard to race, nationality or creed, are free to enter its portals.

Enabling a worthy Mason to be self-supporting and to retain his independence and self-respect. In all the old manuscript Constitutions admonitions exist as to furnishing a job to members of the Craft out of employment. Witness the fourteenth article of the Lansdown M.S. Circa, 1560. "Also that every Mason receive or cherish Strange Fellows when they come over the Countrey and sett them to worke if they will worke as the manner is (that is to say) if the Mason have any Moulde Stone in his place or worke and if he have none the Mason shall refresh him with money unto the next lodge."

Education is proof that in every Grand Jurisdiction there are a number of earnest, thoughtful brethren who are ambitious of acquiring a greater knowledge of the

"royal art" than is afforded by our ritualism. The great mass, the rank and file of our membership is very little, if at all interested. The small minority may yet prove to be the little leaven that mixing with the mass they may leaven the entire lump.

WYOMING

Robert H. Hopkins, M.W. Grand Master.

Joseph M. Lowndes, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A special Communication was held at Casper for the following worthy purpose:

For the purpose of dedicating a Memorial Tablet to a body of Master Masons who were traveling west on the Old Oregon Trail and who held a Masonic Lodge meeting on Independence Rock on July 4, 1862.

Brother Frank Emerson, Governor of the State of Wyoming, gave a short address in fitting words for the occasion.

The Fifty-sixth annual was held at Casper, August 27, 1930, when Representatives of forty-three out of forty-six lodges were present.

A fine array of Past Grand Masters, eighteen in all, were given the grand honours. The list of deceased Past Grand Masters and Past Grand Secretaries was read with this verse:

They never quite leave us, the brethren who've passed
Through the shadow of death to the sunlight above.
A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast
To the places they've blessed with their presence and
love.

The Grand Master expressed himself as not being an advocate of large lodges. He called on all lodges to identify themselves with the memory of George Washington.

Referring to the Conference of Grand Masters he quotes this Resolution:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, That this Conference hereby declares that it is not the thought, purpose or intent of this Conference, now, or at any time in the future, to form any General Grand Lodge, or to form or promote any organization or movement which will infringe in any way upon the sovereignty of any Grand Lodge.

He made many visitations and says:

The memory of these delightful visits will be an incentive "To higher thoughts, nobler deeds and greater achievements."

Among his decisions are the following:

If age is the only objection to this man, I see no reason why he should be debarred from becoming a Mason, if he is mentally and physically qualified.

I interpret being "Mentally Qualified" to mean that the candidate is able to learn the lectures and pass a satisfactory examination. It would be well to explain to him what is required, because if he cannot do this he would fail to become a Mason. Many candidates much younger than this man have failed in this requirement.

Your Club is no part of a Masonic lodge. Please keep this in mind and govern yourself accordingly.

"Will you please check off those names who have passed the age of 55 years and give the mailing addresses of those left, together with the names of any sojourners who may be in your vicinity?"

Signed by the General Agent of a Protective Insurance Company.

Will you please advise if this request has been approved by the Grand Master, or if it is permissible to furnish the information asked.

A. I am opposed to commercializing the Masonic order in any manner. I think this request is not permissible and I so rule.

With regard to a Masonic funeral, his lodge asked for the presence of the Grand Master, to which he consented, but they also wanted to have all pall-bearers Odd Fellows. His decision was if they were to have a Masonic funeral it should be a Masonic funeral, Pall-bearers and all. The brother had no relations that were known. This decision which is along the line that our own Grand Master would have given, was referred to the Jurisprudence Committee and was actually not approved!

The transition stage forward of a typical western city (Casper) is thus described:

In 1898 when the Annual Communication was first held here, it was a small "cow town" of about 1800 people, a few business houses, with a "hitch-rack" in front of each to tie the "cow ponies" to, and now we find a city with a population of about 18,000, immense business blocks, paved streets and every modern convenience.

Membership 8,473. Increase 112.

This verse concludes the Grand Secretary's interesting report:

Secure in your heart you must safeguard your trust,
With lodge and with brother be honest and just,
Be chaste in your thoughts, your words and your deeds,
Assist the deserving who cry in their needs.
Support him who falters, for this you must do
For to your obligation you must always be true.
Then will the Great Lights on your path brightly shine
And you'll be a Mason, Oh brother of mine.

Among the presentations to the Grand Library we note one by Bro. Richard H. Repath and one by our own Edward J. Repath. R. H. Repath is Grand Librarian.

Bro. Lowndes cites an appealing verse:

The time to do a kindness,
To speak a word of cheer,
To ease another's burden,
To drive away a tear,
To soften down a sorrow
That clouds a brother's brow,
Is not, my friend, tomorrow
But now, now, now.

The Committee on Necrology quoted:

God gave man an earthly habitation,
The body soil in which the soul might grow.
This little life is but the preparation
The soul must know.
And then some day man's errors over come him,
The body fails, the soul is wise,
And then the God that takes one small world from him
Gives him the skies.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence say of chain letters again becoming a rampant nuisance:

Break the chain, destroy the letters and pay no attention to any threats of bad luck, calamities or loss of life that might occur if you do not comply with the request. Discourage those who persist in this ridiculous nuisance for superstition has no place in the thoughts of a Mason.

A special Report of the Grand Secretary contained the following:

The lodges in the larger communities are doing splendid work. A few of the smaller lodges, where the Master is not of much force, are not doing as well. Lodges should be careful in the selection of their Master. Where he is indifferent and does not desire to qualify himself for his office and do the work in a proper manner, it reflects on the other officers and they also become lax in their duties.

Elwood Anderson, a leading lawyer and a member of the American Bar Association, was elected Grand Master.

One of the many In Memoriam pages:

God spoke to Joshua—

"Be strong and of good courage;
Be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed;
For the Lord thy God is with thee,
Wheresoever thou goest."

Fraternal Correspondence is in the capable hands of Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary.

Under Alberta's Review we read:

Of what are these working tools of Masonry symbols? They are the symbols of Brotherhood. Indeed Masonry itself is a symbol of that larger and greater Brotherhood of all mankind which includes all races and nations of men.

Under Arizona this:

Muhammad said: "If man would not help man the end of the world had come." No man can live uno himself alone: our lives are too intimately interwoven, human relations are too interdependent."

Of Canada he says that our Grand Lodge maintained a steady growth during the year, also that the value of Masonry does not lend itself to easy computation. From the Committee on the Condition of Masonry he quotes:

Is Freemasonry doing its part to supply this need? We believe it is. Our own reviewer, who was among the first to sound the warning, has carefully presented in his reports those portions of these addresses which he evidently regarded as a fair indication of what was uppermost in the minds of their respective authors.

Georgia without a poem to quote from would not be Georgia:

Down where sunny days are clearest,
And where heaven seems the nearest,
Where all troubles are the merest—
Of all other places dearest—
Georgialand!

Under the review of Iowa we read:

All point to the fact that the laws, the philosophy, the ritual, the history, the poetry and the ceremonial of Masonry are all penetrated, permeated and pervaded with the thought of God.

An interesting reference table is found in the Review of Wisconsin:

If a Brother would like to find where the nine classes of emblems are mentioned in the Bible, they will be found as follows:

The Pot of Incense, see Matthew V:8.
The Bee Hive, John IX:4.
The Sword pointing to a Naked Heart, Luke II:35.
That All Seeing Eye, Psalms XI:4.
The Anchor and Ark, Hebrew VI.:19.
The 47th Problem of Euclid, Proverbs XIX:8.
The Hourglass, St. John V:25.
The Scythe, Isaiah XXXVIII:10.

The Reviews conclude with this summing up verse:

It's lonesome and it's desolate—
It's off the beaten track,
But once you've caught the lure of it
You're homesick 'till you're back—in Wyoming.

Hail and Farewell!

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